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Description

[0001] The present invention relates to compositions useful for the treatment of Diabetes Mellitus. More specifically, the present invention relates to compositions to prolong the administration of glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1), and derivatives thereof. These compositions are useful in treatment of Non-Insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus (NIDDM).

5 [0002] The amino acid sequence of GLP-1 is known as:

10 His-Asp-Glu-Phe-Glu-Arg-His-Ala-Glu-Gly-Thr-Phe-Thr-Ser-Asp-Val-Ser-Ser-Tyr-
 Leu-Glu-Gly-Gln-Ala-Ala-Lys-Glu-Phe-Ile-Ala-Trp-Leu-Val-Lys-Gly-Arg-Gly|
 (SEQUENCE ID NO: 1)

15 [0003] GLP-1 is disclosed by Lopez, L.C., *et al.*, P.N.A.S., USA 80: 5485-5489 (1983); Bell, G.I., *et al.*, *Nature* 302: 716-718 (1983); Heinrich, G. *et al.*, *Endocrinol.* 115: 2176-2181 (1984) and Ghiglione, M., *et al.*, *Diabetologia* 27: 599-600 (1984).

[0004] During processing in the pancreas and intestine, GLP-1 is converted to a 31 amino acid peptide having amino acids 7-37 of GLP-1, hereinafter this peptide is referred to as GLP-1 (7-37).

20 [0005] This peptide has been shown to have insulinotropic activity, that is, it is able to stimulate, or cause to be stimulated, the synthesis or expression of the hormone insulin. Because of this insulinotropic activity, GLP-1 (7-37) is alternatively referred to as insulinotropin.

[0006] GLP-1 (7-37) has the following amino acid sequence:

25 His-Ala-Glu-Gly-Thr-Phe-Thr-Ser-Asp-Val-Ser-Ser-Tyr-Leu-Glu-Gly-Gln-Ala-Ala-Lys-
 Glu-Phe-Ile-Ala-Trp-Leu-Val-Lys-Gly-Arg-Gly (SEQUENCE ID NO: 2).

30 [0007] GLP-1 (7-37), certain derivatives thereof and the use thereof to treat Diabetes mellitus in a mammal are disclosed in United States Patent Numbers 5,118,666 ('666 patent) and 5,120,712 ('712 patent).

35 [0008] The derivatives of GLP-1 (7-37) disclosed in the '666 and '712 patents include polypeptides which contain or lack one of more amino acids that may not be present in the naturally occurring sequence. Further derivatives of GLP-1 (7-37) disclosed in the '666 and '712 patents include certain C-terminal salts, esters and amides where the salts and esters are defined as OM where M is a pharmaceutically acceptable cation or a lower (C₁-C₆) branched or unbranched alkyl group and the amides are defined as -NR²R³ where R² and R³ are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a lower (C₁-C₆) branched or unbranched alkyl group.

40 [0009] Certain other polypeptides, alternatively referred to as truncated GLP-1 or truncated insulinotropin, having insulinotropic activity and the derivatives thereof are disclosed in PCT/US 89/01121 (WO 90/11296). Those polypeptides, referred to therein as GLP-1 (7-36), GLP-1 (7-35) and GLP-1 (7-34) have the following amino acid sequences, respectively.

45 His-Ala-Glu-Gly-Thr-Phe-Thr-Ser-Asp-Val-Ser-Ser-Tyr-Leu-Glu-Gly-Gln-Ala-Ala-Lys-
 Glu-Phe-Ile-Ala-Trp-Leu-Val-Lys-Gly-Arg (SEQUENCE ID NO: 3);

50 His-Ala-Glu-Gly-Thr-Phe-Thr-Ser-Asp-Val-Ser-Ser-Tyr-Leu-Glu-Gly-Gln-Ala-Ala-Lys-
 Glu-Phe-Ile-Ala-Trp-Leu-Val-Lys-Gly (SEQUENCE ID NO: 4);

and

55 His-Ala-Glu-Gly-Thr-Phe-Thr-Ser-Asp-Val-Ser-Ser-Tyr-Leu-Glu-Gly-Gln-Ala-Ala-Lys-
 Glu-Phe-Ile-Ala-Trp-Leu-Val-Lys (SEQUENCE ID NO: 5);

[0010] Derivatives of the polypeptides disclosed in WO 90/11296 include polypeptides having inconsequential amino

acid substitutions, or additional amino acids to enhance coupling to carrier protein or to enhance the insulinotropic effect thereof. Further derivatives of insulinotropin disclosed in WO 90/11296 include certain C-terminal salts, esters and amides where the salts and esters are defined as OM where M is a pharmaceutically acceptable cation or a lower branched or unbranched alkyl group and the amides are defined as -NR²R³ where R² and R³ are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a lower branched or unbranched alkyl group.

[0011] WO 91/11457 and WO 93/18785 disclose sustained release compositions of anti-diabetic GLP-1 peptides.

[0012] In the following, reference is made to the accompanying drawings, in which:

Fig. 1 shows the effect of a prolonged infusion (7 hours) of 4 ng/kg/min insulinotropin on plasma glucose levels in patients with NIDDM.

Fig. 2 shows the effect of a short infusion (60 minutes) of 10 ng/kg/min insulinotropin on plasma glucose levels in patients with NIDDM.

Fig. 3 shows the effect of a prolonged infusion (7 hours) of 2 ng/kg/min and 4 ng/kg/min of insulinotropin on plasma glucose levels in patients with NIDDM.

Fig. 4. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.5 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 5. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.5 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 6. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.5 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 7. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.5 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 8. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.13 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 9. Mean (n=3) Plasma Concentration of Insulinotropin in Rats After Subcutaneous Administration of Single 0.5 mg/0.13 ml Doses in Different Aqueous Suspensions (AS).

Fig. 10 shows pharmacokinetic studies of an insulinotropin zinc precipitate.

In a first aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

- (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2;
- (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is:

- (A) Lys,
- (B) Lys-Gly, or
- (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

- (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
- (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
- (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;

(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

5 (ii) a polymer selected from polyethylene glycol, polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene copolymers, polyanhydrides and polysaccharides, wherein said polysaccharides are selected from chitosan, acacia gum, karaya gum, guar gum, xanthan gum, tragacanth, alginic acid, carrageenan, agarose, and furcellarans, dextran, starch, starch derivatives and hyaluronic acid;

10 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and has been treated in such a way that it comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

In a second aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

15 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2;
 (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
 wherein X is:

20 (A) Lys,
 (B) Lys-Gly, or
 (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

30 (d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



35 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

40 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
 (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
 (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

45 (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable water-immiscible oil suspension; said oil selected peanut oil, sesame oil, almond oil, caster oil, camellia oil, cotton seed oil, olive oil, corn oil, soy oil, safflower oil, esters of fatty acids, and esters of fatty alcohols

50 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in particulate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

The composition of the second aspect may further comprise (i) a wetting agent which is a non-ionic surfactant and (i) a suspending agent.

In a third aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

55 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;

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(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
wherein X is:

5 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

10 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

15 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

20 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO:
4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from :

25 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl amide or and $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ dialkyl amide of said peptides,
and

30 (ii) zinc (II), which is mixed with the peptide;

wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{mL}$ under physiological conditions.

35 The zinc may be amorphous or crystalline.

In a fourth aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

40 (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
wherein X is:

45 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

50 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

55 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from :

5 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

10 (ii) a metal selected from Ni(II), Co(II), Mn(II), Fe(II), and Cu(II),

wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation and comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

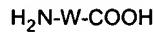
15 In a fifth aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

20 (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
wherein X is:

25 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2, SEQUENCE NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

40 (e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

45 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

(ii) phenol, cresol, resorcinol or methyl paraben,

50 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

In a sixth aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

55 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is :

5 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

10 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

15 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO:
4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
20 (e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

25 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl amide or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

(ii) a basic polypeptide and a phenolic compound,

30 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ under physiological conditions.

In a seventh aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

35 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
wherein X is:

40 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

45 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

50 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

$\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

55 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO:
4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

(1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
 (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
 (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 5 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

(ii) a basic polypeptide, a phenolic compound, and a metal ion;

10 wherein said composition of matter is in injectable form, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

The basic polypeptide may be protamine, and the metal ion may be zinc.

In an eighth aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

15 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
 (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is:

20 (A) Lys,
 (B) Lys-Gly, or
 (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

25 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



30 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



35 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
 (e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

40 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
 (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
 (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides ,

45 said peptides and derivatives thereof having being subjected to conditions resulting in amorphous or crystalline precipitates or aggregates having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions; wherein said conditions are high shear, exposure to salts; or combinations thereof;

50 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation and is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control.

In the composition of the eighth aspect, the salt may be is ammonium sulphate, sodium sulphate, lithium sulphate, lithium chloride, sodium citrate, ammonium citrate, sodium phosphate, potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, potassium chloride, ammonium chloride, sodium acetate, ammonium acetate, magnesium sulphate, calcium chloride, ammonium nitrate, sodium formate, or a combination thereof.

55 In a ninth aspect, the present invention provides a composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2;
 (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
 wherein X is :

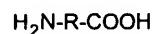
5 (A) Lys,
 (B) Lys-Gly, or
 (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

10 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

25 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
 (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
 (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl amide or $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

30 (ii) a basic polypeptide;

wherein said composition of matter is in injectable form, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ under physiological conditions.

35 The basic polypeptide may be protamine.

In a further aspect, the invention provides a composition of the first to ninth aspects for use in medicine. In a yet further aspect, the invention provides the use of a composition of the first to ninth aspects in the manufacture of a medicament for treating non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus.

The medicament may be for administration which is subcutaneous, intramuscular, transdermal, by an infusion pump, by oral inhalation, by nasal inhalation, or gastrointestinal.

The prolonged administration of the compositions of the present invention can be used for the treatment of non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus in a mammal.

[0013] Unless otherwise indicated, the term "derivative", as used throughout this Specification and the appendant claims, includes, but is not limited to, polypeptides comprising the primary structure shown, wherein one or more L-amino acids are included at the C-terminus thereof; wherein the C-terminal carboxyl group forms an ester with a ($\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$) straight or branched chain alkyl group; wherein the C-terminal carboxyl group forms a carboxamide or substituted carboxamide; wherein the acidic amino acid residues (Asp and/or Glu) form an ester or carboxamide; and combinations thereof.

[0014] Included within the scope of this invention are polypeptides having homology to the peptides described above, which homology is sufficient to impart insulinotropic activity to such polypeptides. Also included within the scope of this invention are variants of the polypeptides described above, which variants comprise inconsequential amino acid substitutions and have insulinotropic activity.

[0015] Glucagon-like Peptide-1 (7-37), its isolation, characterization, and use to treat Diabetes mellitus are disclosed in United States Patent Number 5,118,666 and 5,120,712.

55 [0016] In the present invention, it has now been discovered that prolonged plasma elevations of GLP-1, and related polypeptides, are necessary during the meal and beyond to achieve sustained glycemic control in patients with Non Insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus. It has surprisingly been found that raising GLP-1, and related peptides, around meal time alone, even for periods of up to one hour, will not adequately control the glucose levels. Thus, administration

of GLP-1, and related peptides, requires a prolonged delivery system. This prolonged delivery system leads to an enhancing of insulin action.

[0017] The phrase "enhancing insulin action", as used throughout this Specification and the appendant claims, includes, but is not limited to, one or more of increasing insulin synthesis, increasing insulin secretion, increasing glucose uptake by muscle and fat and decreasing glucose production by the liver.

[0018] The polypeptides of this invention are prepared by various methods well known to those skilled in the art. For example, the polypeptides can be synthesized using automated peptide synthesizers such as an Applied Biosystems (ABI) 430A solid phase peptide synthesizer. Alternatively, the polypeptides of this invention can be prepared using recombinant DNA technology wherein a DNA sequence coding for the polypeptide is operably linked to an expression vector and used to transform an appropriate host cell. The transformed host cell is then cultured under conditions whereby the polypeptide will be expressed. The polypeptide is then recovered from the culture. Further still, a combination of synthesis and recombinant DNA techniques can be employed to produce the amide and ester derivatives of this invention and/or to produce fragments of the desired polypeptide which are then joined by methods well known to those skilled in the art.

[0019] Derivatives of the polypeptides according to this invention are prepared by methods well known to those skilled in the art. For example, C-terminal alkyl ester derivatives of the polypeptides of this invention are prepared by reacting the desired (C₁-C₆)alkanol with the desired polypeptide in the presence of a catalytic acid such as HCl. Appropriate reaction conditions for such alkyl ester formation include a reaction temperature of about 50°C and reaction times of about 1 hour to about 3 hours. Similarly, derivatives of the polypeptides of this invention comprising (C₁-C₆) alkyl esters of the Asp and/or Glu residues within the polypeptide can be so formed.

[0020] Carboxamide derivatives of the polypeptides of this invention are also prepared by solid phase peptide synthesis methods well known to those skilled in the art. For example, see, Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis, Stewart, J.M. et al., Pierce Chem. Co. Press, 1984.

[0021] Alternatively, or in combination with the above, derivatives of the polypeptides of this invention can be prepared by modifying the DNA coding sequence for such polypeptide so that a basic amino acid residue is replaced with a different basic amino acid residue or with an acid, acidic or neutral amino acid residue, or an acidic amino acid residue is replaced with a different acidic amino acid residue or with a basic or neutral amino acid residue, or a neutral amino acid residue is replaced with a different neutral amino acid residue or with an acidic or basic amino acid residue. Such changes in polypeptide primary sequence can also be accomplished by direct synthesis of the derivative. Such methods are well known to those skilled in the art. Of course, such derivatives, to be useful in the practice of this invention, must achieve an insulinotropic effect.

[0022] The insulinotropic activity of a polypeptide derivative according to this invention is determined as follows.

[0023] Pancreatic islets are isolated from pancreatic tissue from normal rats by a modification of the method of Lacy, P.E., et al., Diabetes, 16:35-39 (1967) in which the collagenase digest of pancreatic tissue is separated on a Ficoll gradient (27%, 23%, 20.5% and 11% in Hanks' balanced salt solution, pH 7.4). The islets are collected from the 20.5%/11% interface, washed and handpicked free of exocrine and other tissue under a stereomicroscope. The islets are incubated overnight in RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum and containing 11 mM glucose at 37°C and 95% air/5% CO₂. The islets are then transferred to RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum and containing 5.6 mM glucose. The islets are incubated for 60 minutes at 37°C, 95% air/5% CO₂. The polypeptide derivative to be studied is prepared at 1 nM and 10 nM concentrations in RPMI medium containing 10% fetal bovine serum and 16.7 mM glucose. About 8 to 10 isolated islets are then transferred by pipette to a total volume of 250 µl of the polypeptide derivative containing medium in 96 well microtiter dishes. The islets are incubated in the presence of the polypeptide derivative at 37°C, 95% air/5% CO₂ for 90 minutes. Then, aliquots of islet-free medium are collected and 100 µl thereof are assayed for the amount of insulin present by radioimmunoassay using an Equate Insulin RIA Kit (Binax, Inc., Portland, ME).

[0024] Dosages effective in treatment of adult onset diabetes will range from about 1 pg/kg to 1,000 µg/kg per day when a polypeptide derivative of this invention is administered, for example, intravenously, intramuscularly or subcutaneously. A preferred dosage range for intravenous infusion during and between meals is about 4 to 10 ng/kg/min or about 0.6 to 1.4 µg/day based on a 100 kg patient. It is to be appreciated, however, that dosages outside of that range are possible and are also within the scope of this invention. The appropriate dosage can and will be determined by the prescribing physician and will be a result of the severity of the condition being treated as well as the response achieved with the derivative being administered and the age, weight, sex and medical history of the patient.

[0025] The prolonged administration may be achieved by subcutaneous, intramuscular, or transdermal means, oral inhalation, nasal inhalation, gastrointestinal, or by means of an infusion pump.

[0026] Prolonged administration of GLP-1, and related peptides, may also be achieved by formulation as a solution in various water-soluble polymers. These polymers are generally low molecular weight (< 15 kDa) polymers. Non-limiting examples of such low molecular weight polymers include polyethylene glycol, polyvinylpyrrolidone, polyvinylalcohol and polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene copolymers. Higher molecular weight polymers may be used. Non-

limiting examples of higher molecular weight polymers include polysaccharides such as cellulose and its derivatives, chitosan, acacia gum, karaya gum, guar gum, xanthan gum, tragacanth, alginic acid, carrageenan, agarose, furcelleran. In the later case, polymers which are degraded *in vivo* either enzymatically or by hydrolysis are preferred, for example, dextran; starch and its derivatives, hyaluronic acid, polyesters, polyamides, polyanhydrides and polyortho esters. The tissue accumulation associated with high molecular weight, non-biodegradable polymers is avoided by using low molecular weight polymers or biodegradable polymers. The formulations typically contain GLP-1, or related peptides, at approximately 1 mg/ml, with concentration dependent on the polymer, but typically at concentrations up to that which will attain a 50 cps viscosity, and possibly a suitable buffer, tonicity agent, and preservative. *In vivo* data in rats and man demonstrate that the formulations are capable of achieving measurable blood insulinotropin, for example, levels for up to 24 hours. In contrast, insulinotropin, for example, formulated in phosphate-buffered saline results in rapid (~ 15 minutes) peak plasma levels, with plasma level dropping below detection limits in just over 4 hours. Plasma concentration versus time plots suggest that insulinotropin absorption rate, for example, from the injection site has been significantly reduced in the presence of the polymers.

[0027] GLP-1, and related peptides, may also be formulated as particles suspended in a pharmaceutically acceptable oil. The preferred oils are triglycerides. Non-limiting examples of such oils include peanut oil, sesame oil, almond oil, castor oil, camellia oil, cotton seed oil, olive oil, corn oil, soy oil, safflower oil, and coconut oil. Oils of other classes are acceptable, for example, esters of fatty acids and esters of fatty alcohols, as long as the oil is immiscible with water and is a poor solvent for the peptide. The formulation may also contain appropriate preservatives, wetting agents, and suspending agents. The weight percent of insulinotropin, for example, in the formulation may vary from 0.01 to 10%. *In vivo* data in rats demonstrate that these formulations are capable of achieving measurable insulinotropin blood levels, for example, for up to 24 hours. In contrast, insulinotropin, for example, formulated in phosphate-buffered saline results in rapid (~ 15 minutes) peak plasma levels, with plasma level dropping below detection limits in just over 4 hours. Plasma concentration versus time plots suggest that insulinotropin absorption rate from the injection site have been significantly reduced in the oil suspensions.

[0028] GLP-1, and related peptides, may also be formulated as a low solubility form for administration by combination with a metal ion, preferably in the form of a salt. A preferred ion is zinc (II). The combination may result in a composition which is amorphous or crystalline. Other metal ions may also be used including Ni(II), Co(II), Mg(II), Ca(II), K(I), Mn (II), Fe(II) and Cu(II).

[0029] Another type of prolonged delivery formulation is an aqueous suspension of insulinotropin precipitates or aggregates formed by using precipitants for example, phenolic compounds or basic polypeptides or metal ions or salts, and/or by using high shear. More than one precipitant can be used at one time. The precipitates can be either crystalline or amorphous.

[0030] Insulinotropin crystals can be obtained from a solution of the drug in water by using pH gradient (either high to low or low to high) and/or temperature gradient and/or salts to reduce solubility. The salts include ammonium citrate, sodium or potassium phosphate, sodium or potassium or ammonium chloride, sodium or ammonium acetate, magnesium sulfate, calcium chloride, ammonium nitrate, sodium formate, and any other salts which can reduce the solubility of the drug. If the salt used for crystallization is not pharmaceutically acceptable, the mother liquor can be substituted by pharmaceutically acceptable medium after crystallization is completed. If further reduction of drug solubility is necessary to achieve a desirable pharmacokinetic profile, the crystals can be treated by metal ions such as zinc or calcium and/or phenolic compounds. The treatment can be done by simply incorporating those additives to the crystal suspension.

[0031] The solubility of the insulinotropin precipitates or aggregates can range from less than 1 µg/mL to 500 µg/mL under physiological conditions. *In vivo* data in rats demonstrate that the formulations are capable of achieving measurable insulinotropin blood levels, for example, for at least 30 hours.

[0032] Aqueous media used for the above formulations can be any kind of buffer system which can be used for injection or even with pure water. The pH of the final formulation can be any value as long as the formulation is injectable. Protamine can be added as any kind of salt form (e.g. sulfate, chloride, etc.) or protamine base. Exemplary concentration ranges of the components which can be used for the formulation preparation are as follows: phenol (0.5 to 5.0 mg/ml), m-cresol (0.5 to 5.5 mg/ml), protamine (0.02 to 1.0 mg/ml), zinc (0.10 to 6 zinc/insulinotropin molar ratio), sodium chloride (up to 100 mg/ml), and phosphate buffer (5-500 mM).

[0033] Other phenolic or non phenolic compounds may also be used. Non-limiting examples of such compounds include resorcinol, methylparaben, propylparaben, benzyl alcohol, chlorocresol, cresol, benzaldehyde, catecol, pyrogallol, hydroquinone, n-propyl gallate, butylated hydroxyanisole, butylated hydroxytoluene. Non-limiting examples of basic polypeptides are polylysine, polyarginine, etc.

[0034] Having described the invention in general terms, reference is now made to specific examples. It is to be understood that these examples are not meant to limit the present invention, the scope of which is determined by the appended claims.

EXAMPLE 1

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

5 Solution A1 preparation

[0035] 10 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 4 ml of phosphate buffered saline (PBS) was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. Sufficient PBS (q.s. amount) was added to fill the flask. 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. The volumes in both flasks were combined by filtering them by a glass syringe through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A1 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

15 Solution B1 preparation

[0036] 8 mg of protamine sulfate and 44 mg of phenol were weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to dissolve the protamine sulfate and the phenol. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B1 contained protamine base 0.6 mg/ml and phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PBS.

20 Aqueous Suspension 1

[0037] 1.5 ml of solution A1 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B1 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred gently for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 1 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, protamine base 0.3 mg/ml and phenol 2.2 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 2

30 Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

Solution A2 preparation

35 [0038] 10 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 4 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of the PBS was added to the flask. The volumes in both flasks were combined by filtering them by a glass syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A2 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

40 Solution B2 Preparation

[0039] 2 mg of protamine sulfate and 44 mg of phenol were weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate and phenol. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B2 contained protamine base 0.15 mg/ml and phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 2

50 [0040] 1.5 ml of solution A2 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B2 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 2 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, protamine base 0.075 mg/ml, and phenol 2.2 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 3

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

5 Solution A3 preparation

[0041] 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A3 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A3 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

10 Solution B3 preparation

[0042] 8 mg of protamine sulfate, 44 mg of phenol, and 323 mg of glycerin were weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate, the phenol, and the glycerin. 15 This solution was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B3 contained protamine base 0.6 mg/ml, phenol 4.4 mg/ml, and glycerin 32 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 3

20 [0043] 1.5 ml of Solution A3 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of Solution B3 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 3 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, protamine base 0.3 mg/ml, phenol 2.2 mg/ml, and glycerin 16 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

25 EXAMPLE 4

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

30 Solution A4 preparation

[0044] 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A4 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter (Millipore Millex-GV) into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A4 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Solution B4 preparation

40 [0045] 8 mg of protamine sulfate and 52 mg of m-cresol were weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate and the m-cresol. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B4 contained protamine base 0.6 mg/ml and m-cresol 5 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 4

45 [0046] 1.5 ml of solution A4 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B4 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow crystal formation. Aqueous Suspension 4 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, protamine base 0.3 mg/ml and m-cresol 2.5 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

50 EXAMPLE 5

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

55 Solution A5 preparation

[0047] 50 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 23 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A5 was filtered

by a syringe through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution A5 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Phenol Stock Solution Preparation

5 [0048] 0.44 g of phenol was weighed into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 95 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The resulting solution (4.4 mg/ml phenol) was used to prepare Solution B5.

Solution B5 preparation

10 [0049] Solution B5 was prepared by filtering 25 ml of the phenol stock solution through a $0.2\ \mu$ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution B5 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 5

15 [0050] 1.25 ml of solution A5 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.25 ml of solution B5 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 5 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and phenol 2.2 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 6

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

25 [0051] 50 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 23 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A6 was filtered by a syringe through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution A6 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Phenol Stock Solution Preparation

35 [0052] 0.44 g of phenol was weighed into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 95 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The resulting solution (4.4 mg/ml phenol) was used to prepare Solution B6.

Solution B6 preparation

40 [0053] Solution B6 was prepared by weighing 1.25 mg of protamine sulfate into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 20 ml of phenol stock solution was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The q.s. amount of phenol stock solution was added to the flask. Solution B6 was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution B6 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml and protamine base 0.038 mg/ml in PBS.

45 [0054] Aqueous Suspension 6

55 [0054] 1.25 ml of solution A6 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.25 ml of solution B6 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 6 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, phenol 2.2 mg/ml, and protamine base 0.019 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 7Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension5 Solution A7 preparation

[0055] 50 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 23 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A7 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution A7 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

10 Phenol Stock Solution Preparation

[0056] 0.44 g of phenol was weighed into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 95 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The resulting solution (4.4 mg/ml phenol) was used to prepare Solution B7.

15 Solution B7 preparation

[0057] 20 Solution B7 was prepared by weighing 2.5 mg of protamine sulfate into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 20 ml of phenol stock solution was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The q.s. amount of phenol stock solution was added to the flask. Solution B7 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution B7 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml and protamine base 0.075 mg/ml in PBS.

25 Aqueous Suspension 7

[0058] 1.25 ml of solution A7 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.25 ml of solution B7 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 7 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml, phenol 2.2 mg/ml, and protamine base 0.038 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 8Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension35 Solution A12 preparation

[0059] 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A12 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A12 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Solution B12

[0060] 45 Solution B12 was prepared by weighing 20 mg of phenol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B12 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B12 contained phenol 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 12

50 [0061] 50 4 ml of solution A12 was pipetted into a 10 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred while 4 ml of solution B12 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 12 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and phenol 1 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 9

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

5 Solution A15 preparation

[0062] 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of phosphate buffer (PB) was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PB was added to the flask. Solution A15 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A15 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PB.

10 Solution B15 preparation

[0063] Solution B15 was prepared by weighing 8 mg of protamine sulfate into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PB was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The q.s. amount of PB was added to the flask. Solution B15 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B15 contained protamine base 0.6 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 15

20 [0064] 3 ml of solution A15 was pipetted into a 10 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred while 3 ml of solution B15 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 15 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and protamine base 0.3 mg/ml in PB. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

25 EXAMPLE 10

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

30 Solution A16 preparation

[0065] 20 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PB was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PB was added to the flask. Solution A16 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A16 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PB.

35 Solution B16 preparation

[0066] Solution B16 was prepared by weighing 44 mg of phenol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PB was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PB was added to the flask. Solution B16 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B16 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PB.

40 Aqueous Suspension 16

[0067] 3 ml of Solution A16 was pipetted into a 10 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 3 ml of Solution B16 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 16 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and phenol 2.2 mg in PB. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 11

50 Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

Aqueous Suspension 17

55 [0068] 10 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. The contents of the flask was filtered by syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml type I glass vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 17 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml in PB. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 12

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

5 Aqueous Suspension 18

[0069] 10 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. The contents of the flask were filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml type I glass vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred gently (making sure no foam or bubble formed) for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 18 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

15 EXAMPLE 13

Insulinotropin (0.2 mg/ml) Suspension

Solution A22 preparation

20 [0070] Solution A22 was prepared by weighing 2 mg of insulinotropin into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 3 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A22 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A22 contained insulinotropin 0.4 mg/ml in PBS.

25 Solution B22 preparation

[0071] Solution B22 was prepared by weighing 44 mg of phenol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B22 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B22 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PBS.

30 Aqueous Suspension 22

[0072] 1.5 ml of solution A22 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B22 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 22 contained insulinotropin 0.2 mg/ml and phenol 2.2 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

40 EXAMPLE 14

Insulinotropin (0.2 mg/ml) Suspension

Solution A23 preparation

45 [0073] Solution A23 was prepared by weighing 2 mg of insulinotropin into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 3 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A23 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A23 contained insulinotropin 0.4 mg/ml in PBS.

50 Solution B23 preparation

[0074] Solution B23 was prepared by weighing 8.8 mg of phenol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B23 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B23 contained phenol 0.88 mg/ml in PBS.

55 Aqueous Suspension 23

[0075] 1.5 ml of solution A23 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred mag-

netically while 1.5 ml of solution B23 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 23 contained insulinotropin 0.2 mg/ml and phenol 0.44 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

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EXAMPLE 15

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

10 Solution A24 preparation

[0076] Solution A24 was prepared by weighing 10 mg of insulinotropin into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 3 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A24 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A24 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

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Solution B24 preparation

[0077] Solution B24 was prepared by weighing 8 mg of protamine sulfate into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B24 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B24 contained protamine base 0.6 mg/ml in PBS.

25 Aqueous Suspension 24

[0078] 1.5 ml of solution A24 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B24 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 24 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and protamine base 0.3 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

30 EXAMPLE 16

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

35 Solution A25 preparation

[0079] Solution A25 was prepared by weighing 10 mg of insulinotropin into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 3 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A25 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A25 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

40 Solution B25 preparation

[0080] Solution B25 was prepared by weighing 53 mg of m-cresol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the m-cresol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B25 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B25 contained m-cresol 5.3 mg/ml in PBS.

45 Aqueous Suspension 25

[0081] 1.5 ml of solution A25 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B25 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 25 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and m-cresol 2.5 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 17

Insulinotropin (0.5 mg/ml) Suspension

5 Solution A29 preparation

[0082] Solution A29 was prepared by weighing 25 mg of insulinotropin into a 25 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 20 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A29 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution A29 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml in PBS.

10 Solution B29 preparation

[0083] Solution B29 was prepared by weighing 50 mg of phenol into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B29 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution B29 contained phenol 1.0 mg/ml in PBS.

15 Aqueous Suspension 29

20 [0084] 1.5 ml of solution A29 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B29 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 29 contained insulinotropin 0.5 mg/ml and phenol 0.5 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for *in vivo* pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

25 EXAMPLE 18

Insulinotropin (1 mg/ml) Suspension

30 Solution A31 preparation

[0085] 10 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 4 ml of PBS was added to the flask to disperse and dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A31 was filtered by a syringe through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A31 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml in PBS.

35 Solution B31 preparation

[0086] Solution B31 was prepared by weighing 50 mg of phenol into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B31 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 50 ml glass vial. Solution B31 contained phenol 1 mg/ml in PBS.

40 Aqueous Suspension 31

[0087] 1.5 ml of solution A31 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B31 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred for 16 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 31 contained insulinotropin 1 mg/ml and phenol 0.5 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for *in vivo* pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

50 EXAMPLE 19

Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

55 Solution A51 preparation

[0088] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of PBS was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A51 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL in PBS.

Solution B51 preparation

[0089] 110 mg of phenol and 30 mg of protamine sulfate were weighed into a 5 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 4 mL of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol and protamine sulfate. The flask was filled to the mark with PBS. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B51 contained phenol 22 mg/mL and protamine base 4.5 mg/mL in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 51

[0090] 3 mL of Solution A51 and 0.33 mL of Solution B51 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 51 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, protamine base 0.44 mg/mL, and phenol 2.2 mg/mL in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats

EXAMPLE 20

Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

Solution A52 preparation

[0091] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of PBS was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A52 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL in PBS.

Solution B52 preparation

[0092] 110 mg of phenol and 15.6 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate were weighed into a 5 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 4 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol and zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B52 contained phenol 22 mg/mL and zinc acetate dihydrate 7.8 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 52

[0093] 3 mL of Solution A52 and 0.33 mL of Solution B52 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 52 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, and phenol 2.2 mg/mL in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 21

Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

Phenol Solution preparation

[0094] 244 mg of phenol was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 90 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The pH of this solution was adjusted to pH 9.0 with 5% NaOH solution. The Phenol Solution contained phenol 2.44 mg/mL in water for injection pH 9.0.

Solution A71 preparation

[0095] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of the Phenol Solution was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A71 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL and phenol 2.44 mg/mL in water for injection.

Solution B71 preparation

[0096] 116 mg of protamine sulfate was weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for

injection was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B71 contained protamine base 8.7 mg/mL in water for injection.

5 Solution C71 preparation

[0097] 156 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate and 1.632 g of NaCl were weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate and NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution C71 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 15.6 mg/mL and NaCl 163.2 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 71

15 [0098] 3 mL of Solution A71, 0.165 mL of Solution B71, and 0.165 mL of Solution C71 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 71 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, protamine base 0.435 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, NaCl 8.16 mg/mL, and phenol 2.2 mg/mL in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

20 EXAMPLE 22

Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

25 m-Cresol Solution preparation

[0099] 244 mg of m-cresol was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 90 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the m-cresol. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The pH of this solution was adjusted to pH 9.0 with 5% NaOH solution. The m-cresol Solution contained m-cresol 2.44 mg/mL in water for injection pH 9.0.

Solution A100 preparation

35 [0100] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of the m-cresol Solution was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A100 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL and m-cresol 2.44 mg/mL in water for injection.

Solution B100 preparation

40 [0101] 116 mg of protamine sulfate was weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B100 contained protamine base 8.7 mg/mL in water for injection.

45 Solution C100 preparation

[0102] 156 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate and 1.632 g of NaCl were weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate and NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a $0.22\ \mu$ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution C100 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 15.6 mg/mL and NaCl 163.2 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 100

55 [0103] 3 mL of Solution A100, 0.165 mL of Solution B100, and 0.165 mL of Solution C100 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 100 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, protamine base 0.435 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, NaCl 8.16 mg/mL, and m-cresol 2.2 mg/mL in water for injection.

This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 23

5 Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

Solution A68 preparation

10 [0104] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of the PBS was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A68 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL in PBS.

Solution B68 preparation

15 [0105] 116 mg of protamine sulfate was weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B68 contained protamine base 8.7 mg/mL in water for injection.

20 Solution C68 preparation

25 [0106] 156 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate and 440 mg of phenol was weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate and phenol. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution C68 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 15.6 mg/mL and phenol 44 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 68

30 [0107] 3 mL of Solution A68, 0.165 mL of Solution B68, and 0.165 mL of Solution C68 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 68 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, protamine base 0.435 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, and phenol 2.2 mg/mL in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

35 EXAMPLE 24

Insulinotropin (4 mg/mL) Suspension

40 Solution A67 preparation

45 [0108] 22.2 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 5 mL of the PBS was pipetted into the vial to dissolve the drug. This solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution A67 contained insulinotropin 4.44 mg/mL in PBS.

Solution B67 preparation

50 [0109] 116 mg of protamine sulfate was weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the protamine sulfate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution B67 contained protamine base 8.7 mg/mL in water for injection.

Solution C67 preparation

55 [0110] 156 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate and 440 mg of m-cresol were weighed into a 10 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 8 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate and m-cresol. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 10 mL glass vial. Solution C67 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 15.6 mg/mL and m-cresol 44 mg/mL in water

for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 67

5 [0111] 3 mL of Solution A67, 0.165 mL of Solution B67, and 0.165 mL of Solution C67 were pipetted into a 3.5 mL type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were shaken gently to ensure a homogeneous mix. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 16 hours. Aqueous Suspension 67 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, protamine base 0.435 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, and m-cresol 2.2 mg/mL in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

10 EXAMPLE 25

Solution A39 preparation

15 [0112] 67.6 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a glass vial. Approximately 22 mL of water for injection was added to the vial to dissolve the insulinotropin. The pH of the vial content was adjusted to 9.6 using NaOH to make a clear solution. Water for injection was added to the vial to make the final drug concentration to be 2.5 mg/ml.

20 Solution B39 preparation

25 [0113] 386.8 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B39 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 3.9 mg/mL in water for injection.

30 Solution C39 preparation

35 [0114] 1.095 g of phenol was weighed into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution C39 contained phenol 21.9 mg/mL in water for injection.

40 Solution D39 preparation

45 [0115] 2.25 g of NaCl was weighed into a 25 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 20 mL of Solution C39 was added to the flask to dissolve the NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with Solution C39. Solution D39 contained NaCl 9% (w/v) and phenol 21.9 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 39

50 [0116] All solutions were filtered through 0.22 μ filters (low protein binding). 9 ml of Solution A39 was transferred to a 10 ml sample vial. 1 ml of Solution B39 was added to the vial while stirring gently. Precipitates were formed immediately. The pH was measured to be 7.0. The vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for about 18 hours. 4 ml of the sample was transferred to a separate 10 ml vial, and 0.44 ml of Solution D39 was added to the vial. The sample was stirred gently for 5 minutes and was then allowed to sit at ambient temperature overnight.

[0117] Aqueous Suspension 39 contained insulinotropin 2 mg/ml, phenol 2.2 mg/ml, NaCl 0.9%, and zinc acetate 0.39 mg/ml. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 26

Solution A53 preparation

55 [0118] 32.5 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml glass vial. 6 ml of water for injection was added to the vial. The pH of the vial content was adjusted to 9.6 using 1 % (w/v) NaOH to make a clear solution. Appropriate amount of water for injection was added to make the drug concentration to be 5.0 mg/ml.

60 Solution B53 preparation

[0119] 390 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water

for injection. Solution B53 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 7.8 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous suspension 53

5 [0120] All solutions were filtered through 0.22 μ filters (low protein binding). 2.4 mL of Solution A53 was transferred to a 3.5 ml vial. 300 μ l of Solution B53 was added to the vial while stirring gently. Birefringent precipitates were formed immediately after the addition. The pH was measured to be 6.8. After the vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 20 hours, 7.5 μ l of m-cresol was added directly to the supernatant of the settled suspension. The suspension was then stirred gently to dissolve the m-cresol. 300 μ l of 9% NaCl solution was added to the suspension with stirring.

10 Aqueous Suspension 53 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, 0.9% NaCl, 0.78 mg/mL zinc acetate, and 2.5 mg/mL m-cresol in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 27

15 Solution A54 preparation

[0121] 32.5 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml glass vial. 6 ml of water for injection was added to the vial. The pH of the vial content was adjusted to 9.6 using 1% (w/v) NaOH to make a clear solution. Appropriate amount of water for injection was added to make the drug concentration to be 5.0 mg/ml.

20 Solution B54 preparation

[0122] 390 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B54 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 7.8 mg/mL in water for injection.

Solution C54 preparation

30 [0123] 1.1 g of phenol and 4.5 g of NaCl were weighed into a 50 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 40 mL of water for injection. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution C54 contained phenol 22 mg/mL and NaCl 90 mg/mL.

Aqueous Suspension 54

35 [0124] All solutions were filtered through 0.22 μ filters (low protein binding). 2.4 ml of Solution A54 was transferred to a 3.5 ml vial. 300 μ l of Solution B54 was added to the vial with stirring. Birefringent precipitates were formed immediately after the addition. The pH was measured to be 6.8. The sample was allowed to sit for 20 hours at ambient temperature. 300 μ l of Solution C54 was added with gentle stirring. Aqueous Suspension 54 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, phenol 2.2 mg/mL, and NaCl 9 mg/mL in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 28

45 Solution A57 preparation

[0125] 15 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 3 mL of water for injection was added to the vial. The pH of the vial content was adjusted to 9.9 using 5% NaOH to dissolve the drug completely. Solution A57 contained insulinotropin 5.0 mg/mL in water for injection.

50 Solution B57 preparation

[0126] 780 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B57 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 7.8 mg/mL in water for injection.

55 Solution C57 preparation

[0127] 2.2 g of phenol and 9 g of NaCl were weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water

for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol and the NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution C57 contained phenol 22 mg/ml and NaCl 90 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 57

5 [0128] 2.4 mL of Solution A57 was transferred to a 3.5 mL vial. The solution was stirred gently during addition of 300 μ L of Solution B57. Precipitates were formed immediately after the addition of the Solution B57. The pH was measured and found to be 7.1. The sample was allowed to sit under ambient conditions for 24 hours. 300 μ L of Solution C57 was added with gentle stirring. Aqueous Suspension 57 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, phenol 2.2 mg/mL, and NaCl 9 mg/mL in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 29

15 Solution A64 preparation

20 [0129] 53.3 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 30 mL glass vial. After adding 11 mL of water for injection, the pH of the vial contents was adjusted to 8.3 using 5% NaOH (w/v) to dissolve the insulinotropin. The pH was adjusted down to 6.0 using dilute HCl making sure that the solution still remained clear. Appropriate amount of water for injection was added to make the drug concentration to be 4.4 mg/ml. Solution A64 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding) into a 3.5 mL sample vial. 1.8 mL of the filtered solution was transferred to a separate sterile 3.5 mL vial, and the vial was allowed to sit at ambient temperature to crystallize for 3 days.

Solution B64 preparation

25 [0130] 780 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 50 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 40 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B64 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 15.6 mg/mL in water for injection.

30 Solution C64 preparation

[0131] 18 g of NaCl was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution C64 contained NaCl 180 mg/mL in water for injection.

35 Aqueous Suspension 64

40 [0132] After crystallization was completed in Solution A64, 100 μ L of Solution B64 was added to 1.8 mL of the crystal suspension was slow stirring. The sample was then allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 3 days. 100 μ L of Solution C64 was added to the crystal suspension with gentle stirring. The pH of the suspension was adjusted to pH 7.3 using dilute NaOH. 5.0 μ of m-cresol was added directly to the pH adjusted crystal suspension. Aqueous Suspension 64 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/mL, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.78 mg/mL, NaCl 9 mg/mL, and m-cresol 2.5 mg/mL in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

45 EXAMPLE 30

Solution A69 preparation

50 [0133] 1 g of NaCl was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution A69 contained NaCl 1% (w/v) in water for injection.

Solution B69 preparation

55 [0134] 390 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added to the flask to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B69 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 3.9 mg/mL in water for injection.

Emulsion C69 preparation

[0135] 2.5 mL of sterile filtered (0.22 μ low protein binding) m-cresol was transferred to a 100 mL volumetric flask. The flask was filled with water for injection to the mark and sonicated to produce a homogenous suspension. Emulsion 5 C69 contained m-cresol 25 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 69

[0136] 35.74 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 mL glass vial. 7 mL of Solution A69 was added. The pH of 10 the vial contents was adjusted to 9.2 to dissolve the drug. The pH of the solution was re-adjusted to 6.5 using dilute HCl. Appropriate amount of water for injection was added to make the drug concentration to be 4.4 mg/ml. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding). The solution was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 6 days, during which insulinotropin was crystallized. 1.5 mL of the crystal suspension was transferred to a separate vial. 15 167 μ L of Solution B69 was added with gentle stirring. The sample was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 1 day. 167 μ L of emulsion C69 was added to the supernatant of the settled suspension. The sample was stirred to dissolve the m-cresol. Aqueous Suspension 69 contained insulinotropin 3.6 mg/ml, zinc acetate 0.36 mg/ml, NaCl 8.17 mg/ml and m-cresol 2.28 mg/ml in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 31

Solution A101 preparation

[0137] 10 g of sodium acetate was weighed into a 100 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection 25 was added to the flask to dissolve the sodium acetate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution A200 contained 100 mg/ml sodium acetate in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 101

[0138] 44.4 mg of insulinotropin was weighed into a 10 ml glass vial. 8 ml of water for injection was added to the 30 flask. The pH of the vial contents was adjusted to 9.3 to obtain a clear solution. 1 mL of Solution A200 was added to the insulinotropin solution. The pH was then adjusted down to 6.5. The solution was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding). The filtered solution was allowed to sit at ambient temperature for 3 days so that crystallization could occur. Aqueous Suspension 101 contained insulinotropin 4.9 mg/mL sodium acetate 11.1 mg/mL in water for injection. 35 This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic study in rats.

EXAMPLE 32

Solution A82 preparation

[0139] 9 g of NaCl was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water for injection was added 40 to the vial to dissolve the NaCl. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution A82 contained NaCl 9% (w/v) in water for injection.

Solution B82 preparation

[0140] 789 mg of zinc acetate dihydrate was weighed into a 100 mL volumetric flask. Approximately 80 mL of water 45 for injection was added to the vial to dissolve the zinc acetate dihydrate. The flask was filled to the mark with water for injection. Solution B82 contained zinc acetate dihydrate 7.89 mg/mL in water for injection.

Emulsion C82 preparation

[0141] 2.5 mL of sterile filtered (0.22 μ low protein binding) m-cresol was transferred to a 100 mL volumetric flask. The flask was filled with water for injection to the mark and sonicated to produce a homogenous suspension. Emulsion 55 C82 contained m-cresol 25 mg/mL in water for injection.

Aqueous Suspension 82

[0142] All solutions were filtered through 0.22 μ filters (low protein binding). 45.34 mg of insulinotropin was added to a 10 ml vial to which 8 ml of water was added. The pH was adjusted to 9.3 using 5% NaOH. After 1 ml of Solution 5 A82 was added to the vial, the pH of the solution was adjusted down to 6.55 using dilute HCl. The solution (5 mg/mL insulinotropin) was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter (low protein binding). 81 μ l of Aqueous Suspension 101 (see example 10 31) was added to the sterile filtered insulinotropin solution and dispersed by shaking the sample. The sample was then allowed to sit for 72 hours at ambient temperature to form a crystal suspension. 2.4 ml of the suspension was transferred to a 3.5 ml vial. 300 μ l of Solution B82 was added to the vial with gentle stirring. The pH of the vial content was adjusted to 7.3 using dilute NaOH. 300 μ l of Emulsion C82 was added to the supernatant of the settled suspension. Aqueous Suspension 82 contained insulinotropin 4 mg/ml, zinc acetate dihydrate 0.79 mg/mL, m-cresol 2.5 mg/mL and 0.9% NaCl in water for injection. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 33GLP-1(7-36) Amide (1 mg/ml) SuspensionSolution A26 preparation

[0143] Solution A26 was prepared by weighing 10 mg of GLP-1 (7-36) Amide into a 5 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 3 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the drug. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution A26 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution A26 contained GLP-1(7-36) 2 mg/ml in PBS.

Solution B26 preparation

[0144] Solution B26 was prepared by weighing 44 mg of phenol into a 10 ml volumetric flask. Approximately 8 ml of PBS was added to the flask to dissolve the phenol. The q.s. amount of PBS was added to the flask. Solution B26 was filtered through a 0.22 μ filter into a 10 ml glass vial. Solution B26 contained phenol 4.4 mg/ml in PBS.

Aqueous Suspension 26

[0145] 1.5 ml of solution A26 was pipetted into a 3.5 ml type I glass vial. The contents of the vial were stirred magnetically while 1.5 ml of solution B26 was pipetted into the vial. The vial was stoppered and sealed with an aluminum shell. The vial contents were stirred gently (making sure no foam or bubble formed) for 18 hours to allow suspension formation. Aqueous Suspension 26 contained GLP-1 (7-36) Amide 1 mg/ml and phenol 2.2 mg/ml in PBS. This suspension was used for in vivo pharmacokinetic studies in rats.

EXAMPLE 34

[0146] In one form of the invention, a low solubility form of GLP-1 (7-37) is prepared by combining GLP-1 (7-37) at from 2-15 mg/ml in buffer at pH 7-8.5 with a solution of a metal ion salt to obtain solutions with from 1-8 mg/ml GLP-1(7-37) at molar ratios of about 1:1 to 270:1 zinc to GLP-1 (7-37). A heavy precipitate forms and is let stand overnight at room temperature. The solubility of GLP-1(7-37) in the metal ion solution varies with the metal employed. Subsequent measurement of the solubility of the GLP-1 (7-37) pellet in a non metal-containing solvent such as PBS or water shows that zinc, cobalt and nickel ions produce low solubility forms of GLP-1 (7-37)

Table 1

Ability of Various metal ion salts to produce low solubility GLP-1(7-37)

Metal ion salt	Solubility in metal sol'n	Solubility in PBS
Zn Acetate	0.04 μ g/ml	0.04 μ g/ml
Zn Chloride	0.04 μ g/ml	0.03 μ g/ml
Co Chloride	0.11 μ g/ml	0.04 μ g/ml
Ni Sulfate	0.14 μ g/ml	0.07 μ g/ml
Mn Chloride	0.23 μ g/ml	1.64 μ g/ml
Mg Chloride	1.75 μ g/ml	no ppt.
Ca Chloride	1.98 μ g/ml	no ppt.

Note: In each case, 100 μ l of metal ion solution at 5 mM was added to 100 μ l GLP-1(7-37) at 5 mg/ml, mixed and allowed to stand overnight. The insoluble pellet was removed by centrifugation. The concentration of GLP-1(7-37) remaining in the metal ion solution was measured. The pellet was resuspended in phosphate buffered saline (PBS), sonicated and allowed to stand overnight. Again insoluble material was pelleted and GLP-1(7-37) concentration measured.

EXAMPLE 35

[0147] Microcrystalline forms of GLP-1(7-37) can be obtained by mixing solutions of GLP-1 (7-37) in buffer pH 7-8.5 with certain combinations of salts and low molecular weight polyethylene glycols (PEG). Table 2 describes six specific sets of conditions to produce microcrystalline forms of GLP-1(7-37).

Table 2

Selected Reagents Yielding Microcrystals			
Reagent#	Salt	Buffer	Precipitant
1	none	none	0.4M K, Na tartrate
2	0.2M Na citrate	0.1M Tris pH 8.5	30% PEG 400
3	0.2M MgCl ₂	0.1M HEPES pH 7.5	28% PEG 400
4	0.2M MgCl ₂	0.1M HEPES pH 7.5	30% PEG 400
5	0.5 M K ₂ HPO ₄	none	20% PEG 8000
6	none	none	30% PEG 1500

Note: GLP-1(7-37) stock at 5 mg/ml in 50mM Tris pH 8.1 was added 1:1 with reagent. Drops were viewed and scored for absence or presence of insoluble GLP-1 (7-37) in crystalline or amorphous form. In general low mw PEG's appear to favor crystalline forms. Tris is tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane and HEPES is N-2-(Hydroxyethyl) piperazine-N-2-ethanesulfonic acid.

COMPARATIVE EXAMPLE 36

[0148] Specific combinations of GLP-1(7-37) and PEG concentrations are required to obtain microcrystalline forms and high yields. Table 3 shows specific combinations of PEG 600 and GLP-1(7-37) concentrations which produce microcrystalline as opposed to amorphous forms of the drug. The yield of GLP-1(7-37) in the insoluble form is shown also.

Table 3

Formation/yield of crystalline GLP-1 (7-37)				
5	GLP-1 (7-37)	15 PEG 600	22.5% PEG 600	30% PEG 600
10	2.0 mg/ml (Form/yield)	amorphous/8%	amorphous/10%	amorphous/8%
15	3.5 mg/ml (Form/yield)	crystalline/62%	crystalline/26%	crystalline/59%
20	6.5 mg/ml (Form/yield)	amorphous/34%	crystalline/63%	crystalline/72%
25	6.5 mg/ml (Form/yield)	amorphous/52%	crystalline/76%	crystalline/82%
	8.0 mg/ml (Form/yield)	amorphous/55	crystalline/82%	amorphous/66%
	9.5 mg/ml (Form/yield)	amorphous/69%	crystalline/85%	amorphous/83%
	Note: Microcrystals of GLP-1(7-37) are prepared by combining solutions of GLP-1 (7-37) at 20 mg/ml in tris buffer at pH 8, 60% polyethylene glycol 600 (PEG 600) in H ₂ O and tris buffer pH 8 to obtain a final concentrations of from 15-30% PEG and from 3-10 mg/ml GLP-1. After standing overnight, microcrystals of GLP-1(7-37) form in the solution with yields from 50-85%.			

EXAMPLE 37

[0149] This experiment exemplifies another form of the invention which involves treating preformed microcrystals of GLP-1(7-37) with various metal ions to produce low solubility microcrystalline forms. Microcrystals of GLP-1(7-37) prepared at 8 mg/ml GLP-1(7-37) and 22.5% PEG as described in Example 36 have a solubility equivalent to pure lyophilized GLP-1 (7-37). In order to impart the desired property of low solubility for long-acting drug delivery, these preformed microcrystals can be treated with solutions of metal salts at ratios of metal:GLP-1(7-37) of from 1:1 to 260:1 overnight at room temp. The excess metal salt was removed by a centrifugation/washing process. Table 4 shows the results with several divalent cation metal salts as treatment.

Table 4

Solubility of GLP-1(7-37) Crystals with Various Treatments				
40	Additive	GLP-1(7-37) (mg/ml) in treatment sol'n	GLP-1(7-37) (mg/ml) in PBS	GLP-1(7-37) (mg/ml) in PBS/EDTA
45	None (PBS)	1.2	1.2	ND
	Citrate pH 5.2	0.15	ND	ND
50	ZnCl ₂ pH 5.2	0.03	0.03	1.1
	ZnAc pH 5.2	0.01	0.02	1.1
	ZnAc pH 6.5	0.06	0.02	0.92
55	MgSO ₄ pH 5.2	0.50	0.55	ND
	NiSO ₄ pH 5.2	0.10	0.04	0.45
	MnCl ₂ pH 5.2	0.10	0.10	ND
	CaCl ₂ pH 5.2	0.40	0.27	ND
	Note: GLP-1(7-37) crystals are grown from a solution of 8 mg/ml IST in 50 mM Tris pH 8 with 22.5% PEG 600 added in H ₂ O. All additive treatment solutions are 100 mM divalent ion salt in 10 mM Na citrate pH 5.2 or Na MES pH 6.5.			

EXAMPLE 38

5 [0150] Using the methods described herein, both amorphous and microcrystalline low solubility formulations were prepared using zinc acetate. Subcutaneous injections were made in rats (three animals per formulation) and plasma levels of GLP-1 (7-37) were measured by radioimmune assay over 24 hours. Figure 10 shows the extended duration of the drug in plasma compared to a subcutaneous control injection of soluble GLP-1 (7-37).

EXAMPLE 39

10 [0151] 45% w/v Polyethylene Glycol 3350 (PEG)
 1 mg/ml Insulinotropin
 20 mM Phosphate Buffer
 qs Sterile Water for Injection (SWFI)

15 [0152] A 50% w/w PEG solution was prepared using SWFI. A 200 mM phosphate buffer was separately prepared with anhydrous sodium phosphate dibasic (26.85 mg/ml) and sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate (1.41 mg/ml). If necessary, the pH of the buffer solution was brought to pH 8 with either sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid. The appropriate amount of insulinotropin was dissolved in enough of the buffer solution to make a 10 mg/ml solution of insulinotropin. The appropriate weight of the PEG solution was added to the insulinotropin solution, and a sufficient quantity of SWFI was used to bring the solution to the desired volume. The final solution was then sterile filtered with 20 0.2 μ filter and aseptically filled into vials. The solution (0.5 ml) was injected subcutaneously in rats, and plasma insulinotropin levels followed by RIA assay.

EXAMPLE 40

25 [0153] 1.32% w/v Hydroxyethyl Cellulose (HEC)
 1 mg/ml Insulinotropin
 20 mM Phosphate Buffer
 100 mM Sodium Chloride
 qs Sterile Water For Injection (SWFI)

30 [0154] A 2% w/w hydroxethyl cellulose solution was prepared using SWFI. A 200 mM phosphate buffer was separately prepared with anhydrous sodium phosphate dibasic (26.85 mg/ml) and sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate (1.41 mg/ml). If necessary, the pH of the buffer solution was brought to pH 8 with either sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid. The appropriate amount of insulinotropin and sodium chloride were dissolved in enough of the buffer solution to make a 10 mg/ml solution of insulinotropin. The appropriate weight of the HEC solution was added to the insulinotropin solution, and a sufficient quantity of SWFI was used to bring the solution to the desired volume. The final solution was then sterile filtered with a 0.2 μ filter and aseptically filled into vials. The solution (0.5 ml) was injected subcutaneously in rats, and plasma insulinotropin followed by RIA assay.

EXAMPLE 41

40 [0155] 18% w/v Pluronic F127
 1 mg/ml Insulinotropin
 20 mM Phosphate Buffer
 qs Sterile Water For Injection (SWFI)

45 [0156] A 20% W/W Pluronic F127 solution was prepared using SWFI. A Polytron (probe homogenizer) with an ice bath was used to dissolve the polymer. A 200 mM phosphate buffer was separately prepared with anhydrous sodium phosphate dibasic (26.85 mg/ml) and sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate (1.41 mg/ml). If necessary, the pH of the buffer solution was brought to pH 8 with either sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid. The appropriate amount of insulinotropin was dissolve in enough of the buffer solution to make a 10 mg/ml solution of insulinotropin. The appropriate weight of the Pluronic solution was added to the insulinotropin solution, and a sufficient quantity of SWFI was used to bring the solution to the desired volume. The final solution was then sterile filtered with a 0.2 μ filter and aseptically filled into vials. The solution (0.5 ml) was injected subcutaneously in rats, and plasma insulinotropin levels followed by RIA assay.

EXAMPLE 42

55 [0157] Peanut Oil Suspension (Ball Milled)
 1 mg/ml Insulinotropin

1% Tween 80

[0158] Tween 80 was added at 1% level to peanut oil. This solution was sterile filtered with a 0.2 μ m filter. Solid insulinotropin was then suspended in the oil. The particle size was reduced by ball milling with a Szesvari Attritor at 40 RPM for 18 hours (cold water jacket). This suspension was then filled into vials. The suspension (0.5 ml) was injected 5 subcutaneously in rats, and plasma insulinotropin levels followed by RIA assay.

EXAMPLE 43

[0159] 22.6% w/v Dextran

10 1 mg/ml Insulinotropin

20 mM Phosphate Buffer

qs Sterile Water for Injection

[0160] A 50% w/w Dextran solution was prepared using SWFI. A 200 mM phosphate buffer was separately prepared 15 with anhydrous sodium phosphate dibasic (26.85 mg/ml) and sodium phosphate monobasic monohydrate (1.41 mg/ml). If necessary, the pH of the buffer solution was brought to pH 8 with either sodium hydroxide or hydrochloric acid. The appropriate amount of insulinotropin was dissolved in enough of the buffer solution to make 5.0 mg/ml solution of insulinotropin. The appropriate weight of the dextran solution was added to the insulinotropin solution, and a sufficient 20 quantity of SWFI was used to bring the solution to the desired volume. The final solution was then sterile filtered with 0.2 μ m filter and aseptically filled into vials. The solution (0.5 ml) was injected subcutaneously into rats, and plasma insulinotropin levels were followed by RIA assay.

EXAMPLE 44

[0161] Insulinotropin was crystallized from the mixture of phosphate buffered saline (PBS), ethanol, and m-cresol. 25 A homogeneous insulinotropin slurry (10 mg/ml) was made with PBS in a glass vial, and a large volume of ethanol (9 times as much as the slurry) was added to the vial while the vial content was stirred magnetically. Very fine amorphous particles of insulinotropin formed. m-Cresol was added to the vial so that the resulting m-cresol concentration was 1% 30 (v/v). The vial was capped to prevent solvent from evaporating. The crystallization mixture was stored at room temperature for a couple of days. Needle shape crystalline plates grew from the amorphous particles. The lengths of the crystals are between 50 and 200 μ m, and widths between 2 and 4 μ m.

EXAMPLE 45

[0162] Insulinotropin (1 to 4 mg/mL) was dissolved in 1% sodium sulfate (or sodium acetate, or sodium chloride, or 35 ammonium sulfate) solution at higher pH values than 8, and the pH of the solution was lowered down to 6.0 to 7.5 with d-HCl. The clear solution was allowed to sit at ambient temperature. After a couple of days, needle or plate shape crystals were obtained depending on the crystallization conditions.

EXAMPLE 46

[0163] GLP-1(7-37) was dissolved in 50 mM glycine buffer containing 0.1 to 0.2 M NaCl at pH 8.5-9.5 at from 1 to 5 40 mg/ml. A solution of zinc salt (acetate or chloride) was added to obtain a molar ratio of from 0.5:1 to 1.5:1 zinc:GLP-1(7-37). Crystals of GLP-1(7-37) grew overnight at room temperature with yields from 70 to 97%.

45 EXAMPLE 47

[0164] GLP-1(7-37) crystals can be grown by vapor diffusion using the peptide dissolved in 100 mM Tris at pH 8-9.5 at 50 from 10-20 mg/ml. The peptide solution is mixed 1:1 with the same buffer containing from 0.5 to 2.5 M NaCl then equilibrated in a sealed system against the full strength buffer (i.e. Tris with 0.5 -2.5 M NaCl).

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- (A) LENGTH: 37 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

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(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

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(A) ORGANISM: N/A
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5 Gln Ala Ala Lys Glu Phe Ile Ala Trp Leu Val Lys Gly Arg
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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
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- 15 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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25 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

20 (iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

25 (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

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- (A) ORGANISM: N/A
- (B) STRAIN: N/A
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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single

(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

10 (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

15 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: N/A

(B) STRAIN: N/A

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(C) STRANDEDNESS: single

45 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

50 (iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

(v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

55 (vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:

(A) ORGANISM: N/A

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

35 (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: peptide

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(iv) ANTI-SENSE: NO

40 (v) FRAGMENT TYPE: N-terminal

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(B) MAP POSITION: N/A

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Claims

15 1. A composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

20 (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
 (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
 wherein X is:

25 (A) Lys,
 (B) Lys-Gly, or
 (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

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wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
 (d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

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wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
 (e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

45 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
 (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
 (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable $\text{C}_1\text{-}\text{C}_6$ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, $\text{C}_1\text{-}\text{C}_6$ alkyl amide or $\text{C}_1\text{-}\text{C}_6$ dialkyl amide of said peptides,
 and

50 (ii) a polymer selected from polyethylene glycol, polyoxyethylene-polyoxypropylene copolymers, polyanhydrides and polysaccharides, wherein said polysaccharides are selected from chitosan, acacia gum, karaya gum, guar gum, xanthan gum, tragacanth, alginic acid, carrageenan, agarose, and furcellarans, dextran, starch, starch derivatives and hyaluronic acid;

55 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and has been treated in such a way that it comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ under physiological conditions.

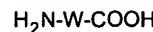
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(i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
5 wherein X is:

(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

10 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



15 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



20 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

25 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
30 (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C_1 - C_6 alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C_1 - C_6 alkyl amide or C_1 - C_6 dialkyl amide of said peptides,
and

(ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable water-immiscible oil suspension; said oil selected peanut oil, sesame oil, almond oil, caster oil, camellia oil, cotton seed oil, olive oil, corn oil, soy oil, safflower oil, esters of fatty acids, and esters of fatty alcohols

35 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in particulate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ under physiological conditions.

40 3. A composition according to claim 2, further comprising (i) a wetting agent which is a non-ionic surfactant and (ii) a suspending agent.

45 4. A composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:
(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
50 wherein X is:

(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

55 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



5 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



10 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from :

15 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or and C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

20 (ii) zinc (II), which is mixed with the peptide;

25 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

5. A composition of matter comprising:

30 (i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;
wherein X is:

35 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

40 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



45 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



50 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from :

55 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides,

and

(ii) a metal selected from Ni(II), Co(II), Mn(II), Fe(II), and Cu(II),

5 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation and comprises said compound of part (i) in crystalline or amorphous form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

6. A composition of matter comprising:

10 (i) a compound selected from:

- (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
- (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

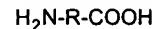
wherein X is:

- (A) Lys,
- (B) Lys-Gly, or
- (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

20 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



25 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;
(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



30 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and
(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

- (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
- (2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
- (3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
- (4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
- (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides,

40 and

(ii) phenol, cresol, resorcinol or methyl paraben,

45 wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

7. A composition of matter comprising:

50 (i) a compound selected from:

- (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;
- (b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is :

- (A) Lys,
- (B) Lys-Gly, or
- (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

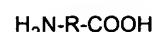


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wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

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wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

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(1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;

(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;

(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;

(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and

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(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

(ii) a basic polypeptide and a phenolic compound,

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wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) in precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

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8. A composition of matter comprising:

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(i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;

(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is:

(A) Lys,

(B) Lys-Gly, or

(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

40

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



45

wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

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wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE NO: 3, SEQUENCE NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

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(1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;

(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;

(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;

(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkyl ester of said peptides; and
 (5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides, and

5 (ii) a basic polypeptide, a phenolic compound, and a metal ion;

wherein said composition of matter is in injectable form, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

10 9. A composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

15 (a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2;

(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 7;

wherein X is:

(A) Lys,

(B) Lys-Gly, or

(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) a peptide comprising the primary structure

25 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure

30 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

35 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE ID NO: 2, SEQUENCE ID NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

(1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;

(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;

(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;

(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable lower alkyl ester of said peptides; and

(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides,

45 said peptides and derivatives thereof having being subjected to conditions resulting in amorphous or crystalline precipitates or aggregates having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions; wherein said conditions are high shear, exposure to salts; or combinations thereof;

wherein said composition of matter is in an injectable formulation and is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control.

50 10. A composition according to claim 9, wherein said salt is ammonium sulphate, sodium sulphate, lithium sulphate, lithium chloride, sodium citrate, ammonium citrate, sodium phosphate, potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, potassium chloride, ammonium chloride, sodium acetate, ammonium acetate, magnesium sulphate, calcium chloride, ammonium nitrate, sodium formate, or a combination thereof.

55 11. A composition of matter comprising:

(i) a compound selected from:

(a) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2;
(b) a peptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 7;
wherein X is :

5 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, or
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

10 (c) a peptide comprising the primary structure



15 wherein W is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 1 or SEQUENCE ID NO: 6;

(d) a peptide comprising the primary structure



20 wherein R is the amino acid sequence of SEQUENCE NO: 2, SEQUENCE NO: 3, SEQUENCE ID NO: 4 or SEQUENCE NO: 5; and

(e) a derivative of said peptides (a) through (d) selected from:

25 (1) a pharmaceutically acceptable acid addition salt of said peptides;
(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carboxylate salt of said peptides;
(3) a pharmaceutically acceptable alkali addition salt of said peptides;
(4) a pharmaceutically acceptable C₁-C₆ alkyl ester of said peptides; and
(5) a pharmaceutically acceptable amide, C₁-C₆ alkyl amide or C₁-C₆ dialkyl amide of said peptides,
and

30 (ii) a basic polypeptide;

wherein said composition of matter is in injectable form, is capable of achieving sustained glycaemic control and comprises said compound of part (i) precipitate or aggregate form having a solubility equal to or less than 500 µg/ml under physiological conditions.

12. A composition according to any of claims 1 to 11 for use in medicine.

13. The use of a composition according to any of claims 1 to 11 in the manufacture of a medicament for treating non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus.

Patentansprüche

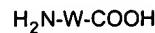
45 1. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

(i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

50 (a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

55 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



5 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;
(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



10 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

15 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

20 20 (ii) ein Polymer ausgewählt aus Polyethylenglykol, Polyoxyethylen-Polyoxypropylen-Copolymeren, Polyanhydriden und Polysacchariden, wobei die Polysaccharide aus Chitosan, Gummiarabikum, Karayagummi, Guar Gum, Xanthan, Tragant, Alginsäure, Carrageenan, Agarose, und Furcellaranen, Dextran, Stärke, Stärkederivaten und Hyaluronsäure ausgewählt sind.

25 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen und in einer Weise behandelt worden ist, dass sie die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in kristalliner oder amorpher Form aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

30 2. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

35 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:
(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:
(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

40 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



45 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;
(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:

50 (e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:
(1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;

5 (2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

10 (ii) eine pharmazeutisch akzeptable, nicht mit Wasser mischbare Ölsuspension, wobei das Öl aus Erdnussöl, Sesamöl, Mandelöl, Rizinusöl, Kamelienöl, Baumwollsamenöl, Olivenöl, Maisöl, Sojaöl, Safloröl, Estern von Fettsäuren und Estern von Fettalkoholen ausgewählt ist,

15 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in Partikelform aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

15 3. Zusammensetzung nach Anspruch 2, welche ferner (i) ein Benetzungsmittel, bei welchem es sich um einen nicht-ionischen oberflächenaktiven Stoff handelt, und (ii) ein Suspendiermittel aufweist.

20 4. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

20 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

25 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

30 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



35 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;

(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



40 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und

(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

45 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

50 (ii) Zink (II), welches mit dem Peptid gemischt ist,

55 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in kristalliner oder amorpher Form aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

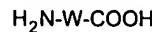
5. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

5 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

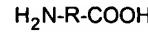
10 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

15 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



20 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;

(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



25 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und

30 (e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

25 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
30 (5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide, und

35 (ii) ein Metall ausgewählt aus Ni(II), Co(II), Mn(II), Fe(II) und Cu(II),

40 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in kristalliner oder amorpher Form aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

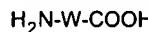
45 6. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

40 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

45 (a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

50 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

55 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



55 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;

(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



5 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID
NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

10 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

15 (ii) Phenol, Cresol, Resorcinol oder Methylparaben,

wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische
Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in Präzipitat- oder Aggregatform aufweist, welche unter
physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

20 7. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

(i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

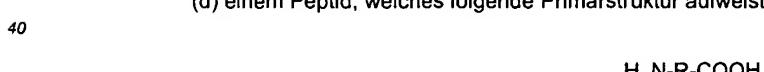
25 (a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

30 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;
(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



45 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID
NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

50 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

55 (ii) ein basisches Polypeptid und eine Phenolverbindung,

wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische
Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in Präzipitat- oder Aggregatform aufweist, welche unter

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physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

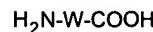
8. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

5 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

10 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

15 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



20 wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;

(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



25 wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

30 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide,
und

35 (ii) ein basisches Polypeptid, eine Phenolverbindung und ein Metall-Ion,

40 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in Präzipitat- oder Aggregatform aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

9. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

45 (i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:

(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;
wobei X Folgendes ist:

50 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

55 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;
(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

10 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;
(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Niederalkylester der Peptide; und

15 (5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ -Alkylamid oder $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ -Dialkylamid der Peptide,

wobei die Peptide und Derivate davon Bedingungen unterzogen wurden, welche in amorphen oder kristallinen Präzipitaten oder Aggregaten resultieren, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ aufweisen, wobei die Bedingungen folgende sind: hohe Scherung, Salzeinwirkung oder Kombinationen davon;

20 wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in einer injizierbaren Form vorliegt und in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen.

25 10. Zusammensetzung nach Anspruch 9, wobei das Salz Ammoniumsulfat, Natriumsulfat, Lithiumsulfat, Lithiumchlorid, Natriumcitrat, Ammoniumcitrat, Natriumphosphat, Kaliumphosphat, Natriumchlorid, Kaliumchlorid, Ammoniumchlorid, Natriumacetat, Ammoniumacetat, Magnesiumsulfat, Calciumchlorid, Ammoniumnitrat, Natriumformat oder eine Kombination daraus ist.

30 11. Stoffzusammensetzung, welche Folgendes aufweist:

(i) eine Verbindung ausgewählt aus:
(a) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2;
(b) einem Peptid mit der Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 7;

35 wobei X Folgendes ist:
(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, oder
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

40 (c) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



wobei W die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 1 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 6 ist;
(d) einem Peptid, welches folgende Primärstruktur aufweist:



wobei R die Aminosäuresequenz von SEQUENZ ID NR.: 2, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 3, SEQUENZ ID NR.: 4 oder SEQUENZ ID NR.: 5 ist; und
(e) einem Derivat der Peptide (a) bis (d) ausgewählt aus:

55 (1) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Säureadditionssalz der Peptide;
(2) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Carboxylatsalz der Peptide;
(3) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Alkaliadditionssalz der Peptide;

(4) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen C₁-C₆-Alkylester der Peptide; und
(5) einem pharmazeutisch akzeptablen Amid, C₁-C₆-Alkylamid oder C₁-C₆-Dialkylamid der Peptide, und

5 (ii) ein basisches Polypeptid,

wobei die Stoffzusammensetzung in injizierbarer Form vorliegt, in der Lage ist, verzögerte glykämische Kontrolle zu erreichen und die Verbindung aus Teil (i) in Präzipitat- oder Aggregatform aufweist, welche unter physiologischen Bedingungen eine Löslichkeit gleich oder unter 500 µg/ml aufweist.

10 12. Zusammensetzung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 11 zur Verwendung in der Medizin.

13. Verwendung einer Zusammensetzung nach einem der Ansprüche 1 bis 11 bei der Herstellung eines Medikamentes
15 zur Behandlung von Nichtinsulinabhängigem Diabetes Mellitus.

Revendications

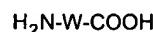
20 1. Composition de matière comprenant :

(i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
25 dans laquelle X est :

(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

30 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



35 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;

(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



40 dans.. laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et

(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

45 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
50 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

55 (ii) un polymère sélectionné parmi un polyéthylèneglycol, des copolymères de polyoxyéthylène-polyoxypropylène, des polyanhydrides et des polysaccharides, dans lesquels lesdits polysaccharides sont sélectionnés parmi du chitosan, de la gomme d'acacia, de la gomme karaya, de la gomme de guar, de la gomme de xanthane, de la gomme adragante, de l'acide alginique, de la carragénine, de l'agarose et des furcellaranes, du dextrane, de l'amidon, des dérivés d'amidon et de l'acide hyaluronique;

dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et a été traitée d'une manière telle qu'elle comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme cristalline ou amorphe présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

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2. Composition de matière comprenant :

(i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

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- (a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
- (b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;

dans laquelle X est :

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- (A) Lys,
- (B) Lys-Gly, ou
- (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

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dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;

(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire

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dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et

(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

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- (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
- (2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
- (3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
- (4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
- (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

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(ii) une suspension huileuse non miscible dans de l'eau pharmaceutiquement acceptable; ladite huile étant sélectionnée parmi de l'huile d'arachide, de l'huile de sésame, de l'huile d'amande, de l'huile de ricin, de l'huile de camélia, de l'huile de graines de coton, de l'huile d'olive, de l'huile de maïs, de l'huile de soja, de l'huile de carthame, des esters d'acides gras et des esters d'alcools gras

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dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme particulière présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

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3. Composition suivant la revendication 2, comprenant en outre (i) un agent mouillant qui est un tensioactif non ionique et (i) un agent de mise en suspension.

4. Composition de matière comprenant :

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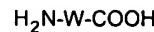
(i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

- (a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
- (b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;

dans laquelle X est :

(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

5 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



10 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



15 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et
(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

20 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
25 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

(ii) du zinc (II), qui est en mélange avec le peptide;

30 dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme cristalline ou amorphe présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

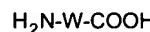
5. Composition de matière comprenant :

35 (i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
dans laquelle X est :

40 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

45 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



50 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



55 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et
(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

(1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
5 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

(ii) un métal sélectionné parmi du Ni(II), du Co(II), du Mn (II), du Fe (II) et du Cu(II),

10 dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme cristalline ou amorphe présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

6. Composition de matière comprenant :

15 (i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;

20 dans laquelle X est :
(A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

25 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



30 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



35 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et
(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

40 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
45 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

(ii) du phénol, du crésol, du résorcinol ou du méthylparabène,

50 dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme de précipité ou d'agrégat présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

7. Composition de matière comprenant :

55 (i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;

(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
dans laquelle X est :

5 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire

10 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire

15 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

20 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et

(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

25 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C_1 - C_6 pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
(5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C_1 - C_6 ou un amide de dialkyle en C_1 - C_6 pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

30 (ii) un polypeptide basique et un composé phénolique,

dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme de précipité ou d'agrégat présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$ dans des conditions physiologiques.

35 8. Composition de matière comprenant :

(i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

40 (a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
dans laquelle X est :

45 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

(c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire

50 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{W}-\text{COOH}$

dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire

55 $\text{H}_2\text{N}-\text{R}-\text{COOH}$

dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et
(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

5 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
10 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

(ii) un polypeptide basique, un composé phénolique et un ion métallique;

15 dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme de précipité ou d'agrégat présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

9. Composition de matière comprenant :

20 (i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
(b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
dans laquelle X est :

25 (A) Lys,
(B) Lys-Gly, ou
(C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

30 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



35 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;
(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



40 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et
(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

45 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
(4) un ester d'alkyle inférieur pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
et
50 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

55 lesdits peptides et dérivés de ceux-ci ayant été soumis à des conditions donnant des précipités ou des agrégats amorphes ou cristallins présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques; dans laquelle lesdites conditions sont un haut cisaillement, une exposition à des sels; ou des combinaisons de ceux-ci;

dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable et peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé.

10. Composition suivant la revendication 9, dans laquelle ledit sel est du sulfate d'ammonium, du sulfate de sodium, du sulfate de lithium, du chlorure de lithium, du citrate de sodium, du citrate d'ammonium, du phosphate de sodium, du phosphate de potassium, du chlorure de sodium, du chlorure de potassium, du chlorure d'ammonium, de l'acétate de sodium, de l'acétate d'ammonium, du sulfate de magnésium, du chlorure de calcium, du nitrate d'ammonium, du formiate de sodium ou une combinaison de ceux-ci.

5 11. Composition de matière comprenant :

10 (i) un composé sélectionné parmi :

(a) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2;
 (b) un peptide présentant la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:7;
 dans laquelle X est :

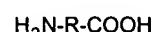
15 (A) Lys,
 (B) Lys-Gly, ou
 (C) Lys-Gly-Arg;

20 (c) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



25 dans laquelle W est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:1 ou de la SEQ ID NO:6;

(d) un peptide comprenant la structure primaire



30 dans laquelle R est la séquence d'acides aminés de la SEQ ID NO:2, de la SEQ ID NO:3, de la SEQ ID NO:4 ou de la SEQ ID NO:5; et

(e) un dérivé desdits peptides (a) à (d) sélectionné parmi :

35 (1) un sel d'addition d'acide pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
 (2) un sel carboxylate pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
 (3) un sel d'addition d'alcali pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides;
 (4) un ester d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides; et
 (5) un amide, un amide d'alkyle en C₁-C₆ ou un amide de dialkyle en C₁-C₆ pharmaceutiquement acceptable desdits peptides, et

40 (ii) un polypeptide basique;

45 dans laquelle ladite composition de matière est dans une formulation injectable, peut donner un contrôle glycémique prolongé et comprend ledit composé de la partie (i) sous une forme de précipité ou d'agrégat présentant une solubilité égale ou inférieure à 500 µg/ml dans des conditions physiologiques.

12. Composition suivant l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 11, pour une utilisation en médecine.

50 13. Utilisation d'une composition suivant l'une quelconque des revendications 1 à 11, dans la fabrication d'un médicament pour le traitement du diabète sucré non insulino-dépendant.

FIG. 1

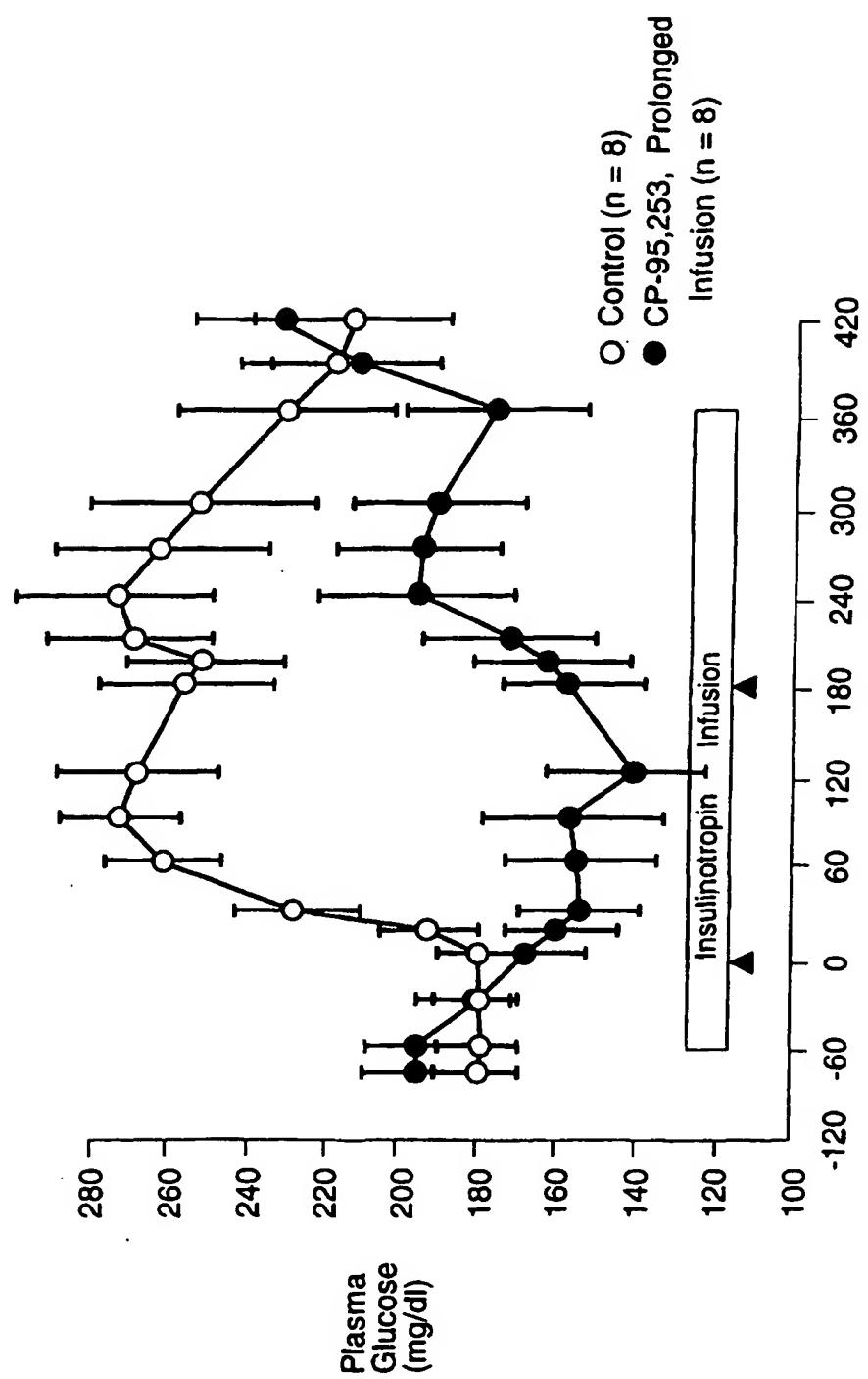


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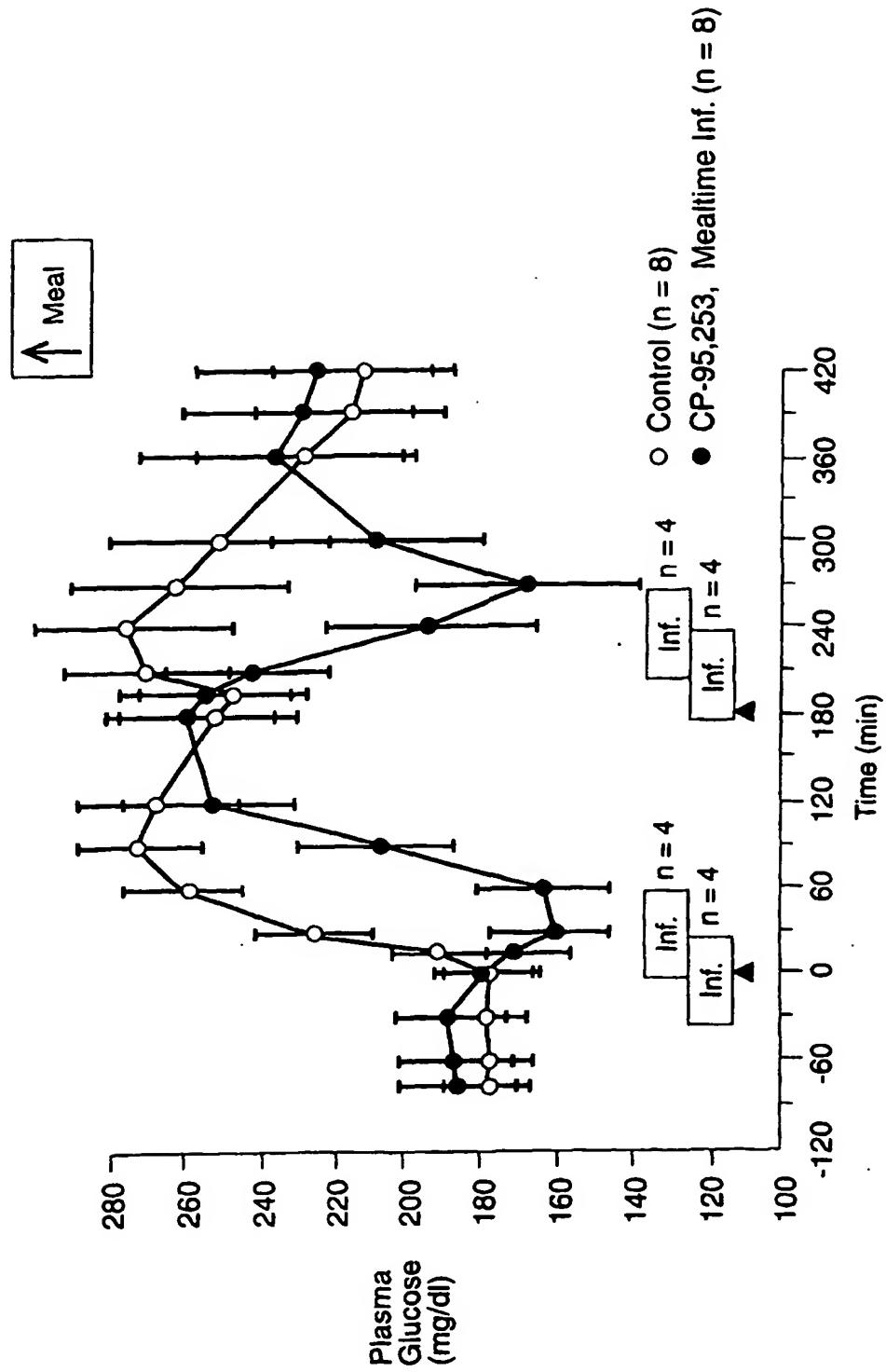


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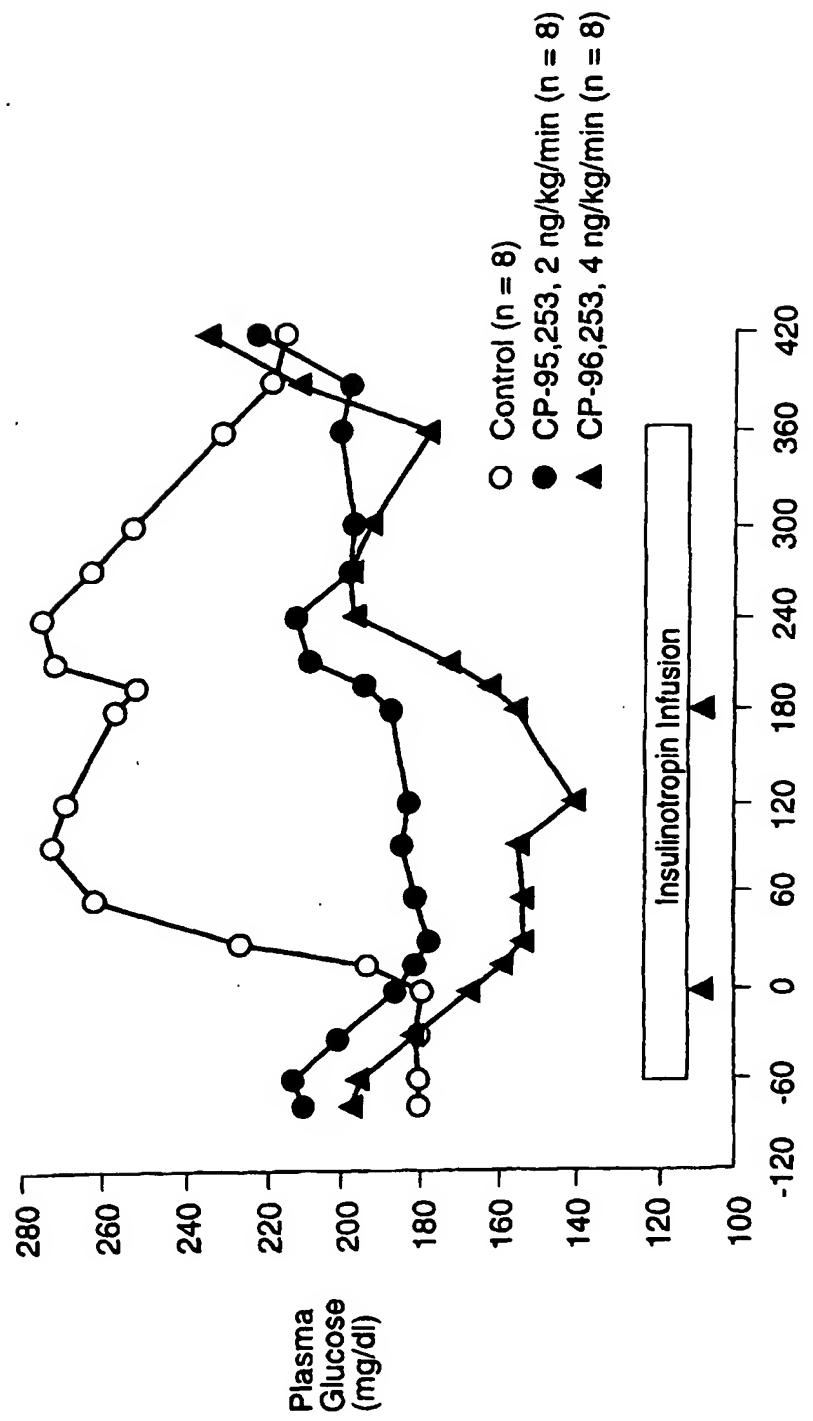


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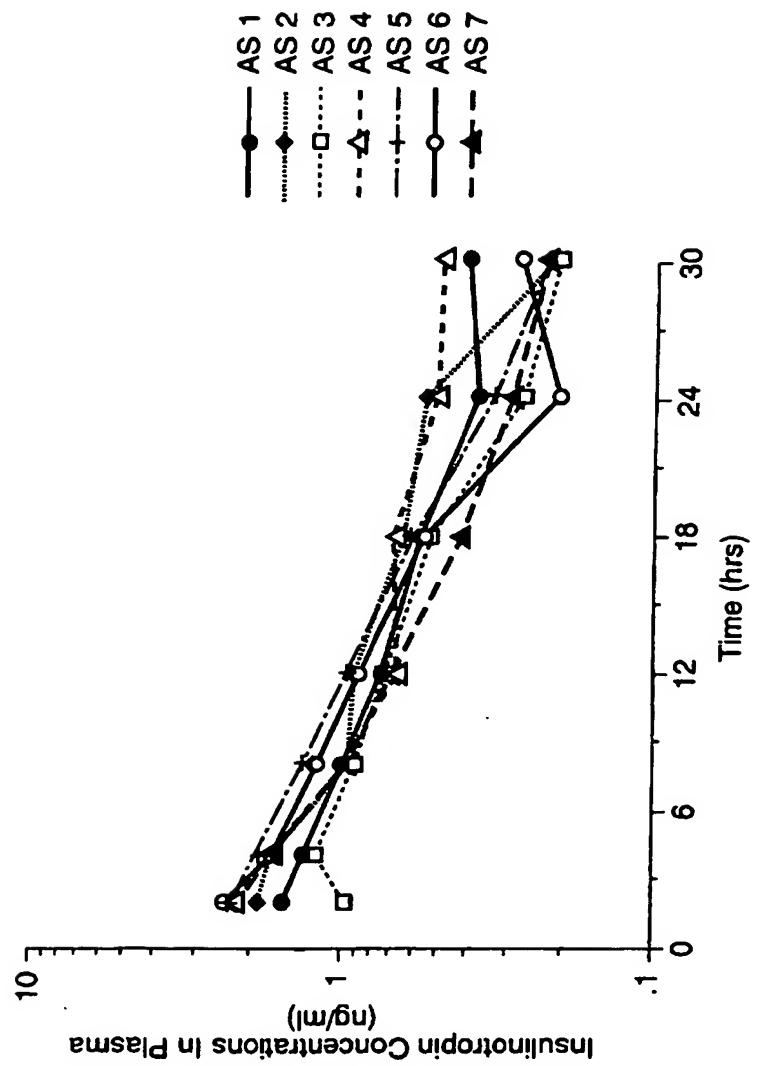


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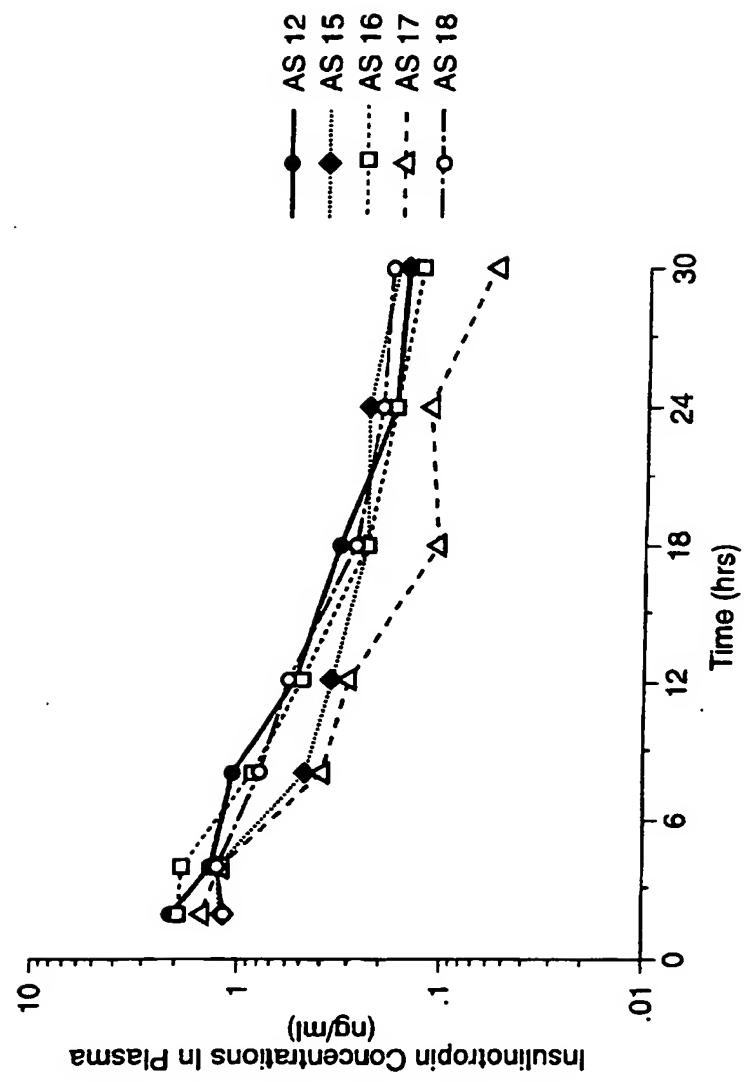


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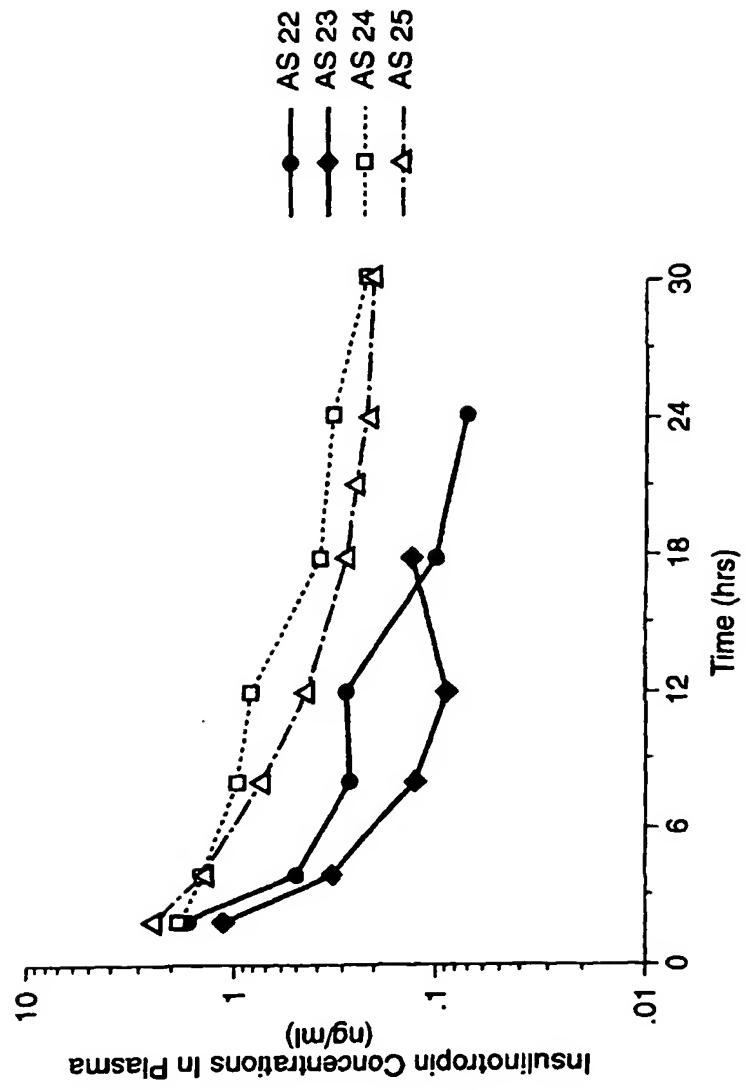


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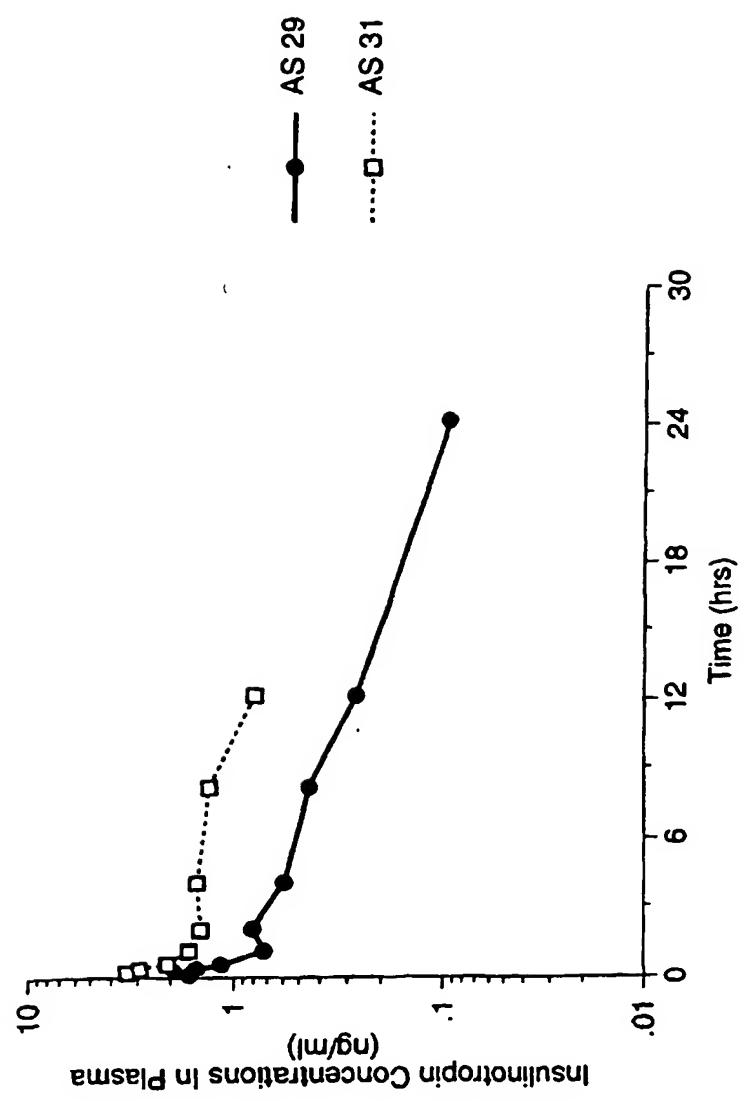


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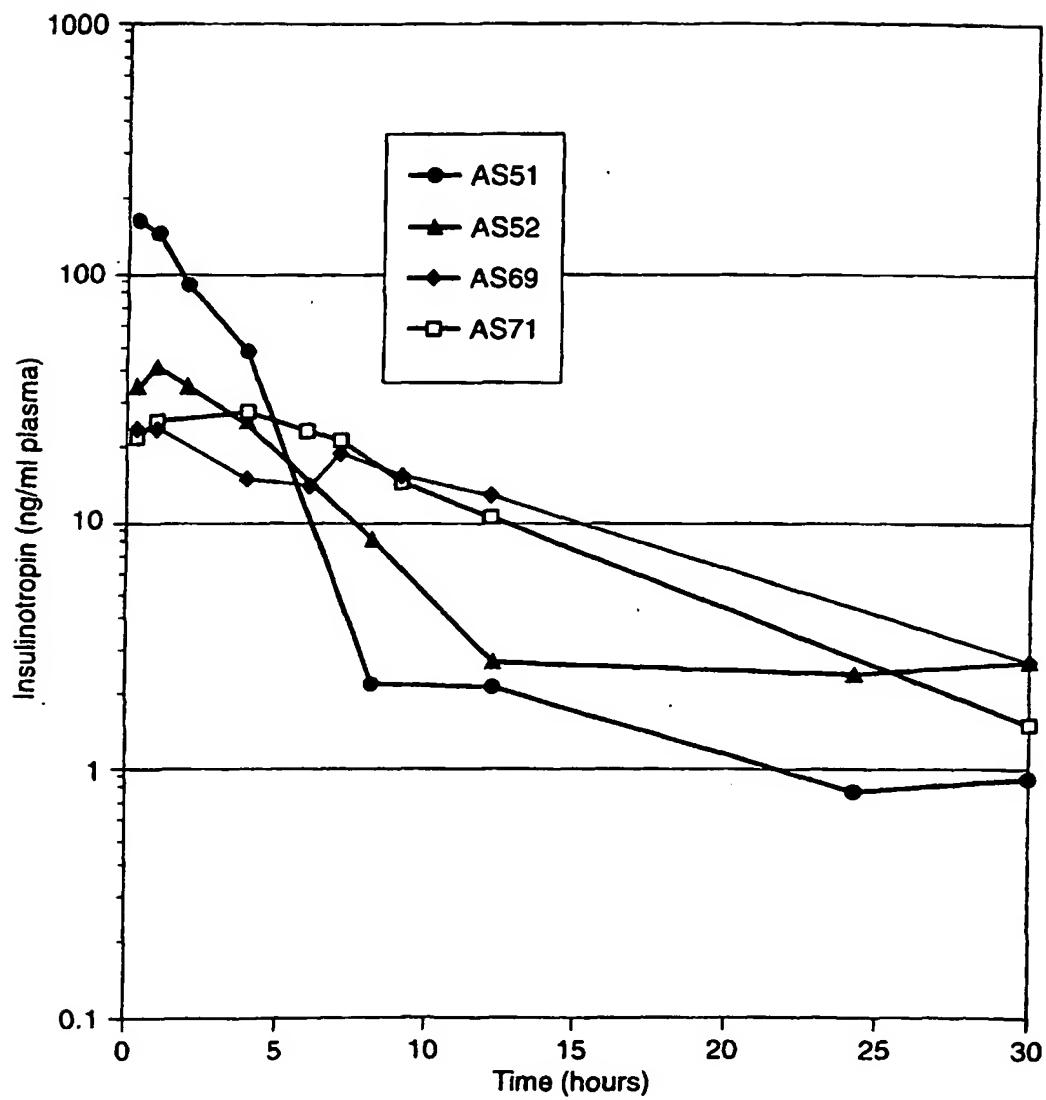


FIG. 9

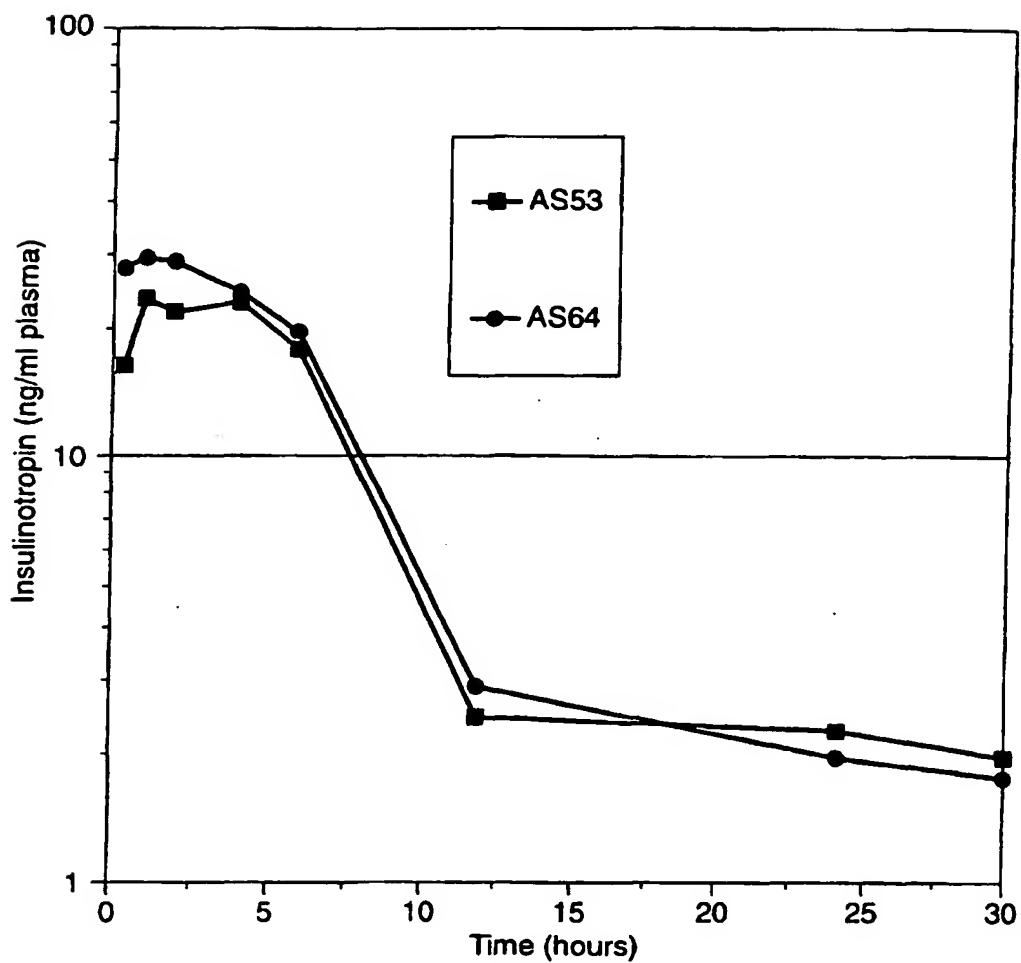


FIG. 10

